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SHORTWAVE AIRINGS of WORLD OF RADIO 1847, October 13-19, 2016

Thu 1130	WRMI	9955 [confirmed]
Thu 2130	WRMI	13695 [confirmed]
Thu 2330	WBCQ	9330v-CUSB [confirmed]
Fri 0830	Unique	3210
Fri 2330	WBCQ	9330v-CUSB [confirmed]
Sat 0630	HLR	6190-CUSB Hamburger Lokalradio
Sat 0800	Unique	3210
Sat 1300	Unique	3210
Sat 1430	HLR	7265-CUSB Hamburger Lokalradio [confirmed, fadeout?]
Sat 1930v	WA0RCR	1860-AM
Sat 2230	WBCQ	9330v-CUSB [confirmed]
Sun 0310v	WA0RCR	1860-AM [confirmed from 0315]
Sun 0830	Unique	3210
Sun 2330	WBCQ	9330v-CUSB
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Mon 0300v	WBCQ	5130v-AM Area 51
Mon 0330	WRMI	9955
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Tue 2330	WBCQ	9330v-CUSB
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http://schedule.worldofradio.org or http://sked.worldofradio.org

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WORLD OF RADIO PODCASTS:
Tnx to Dr Harald Gabler and the Rhein-Main Radio Club.
http://www.rmrc.de/index.php/rmrc-audio-plattform/podcast/glenn-hauser-wor

ALTERNATIVE PODCASTS, tnx Stephen Cooper:
http://shortwave.am/wor.xml

ANOTHER PODCAST ALTERNATIVE, tnx to Keith Weston:
http://feeds.feedburner.com/GlennHausersWorldOfRadio

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https://itunes.apple.com/us/podcast/glenn-hausers-world-of-radio/id1123369861

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http://bit.ly/worldofradio

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or http://wor.worldofradio.org

DAY-BY-DAY ARCHIVE OF GLENN HAUSER`S LOG REPORTS:
Unedited, uncondensed, unchanged from original version, many of
them too complex, minutely researched, multi-frequency, opinionated,
inconsequential, off-topic, or lengthy for some log editors to
manage; and also ahead of their availability in these weekly issues:
http://www.hard-core-dx.com/index.php?topic=Hauser

NOTE: I have *resolved* to make DXLD leaner, more selective, as I
seriously need to reduce my workload, much of which has been merely
editing gobs of material into presentable form. This makes it even
more important to be a member of the DXLD yg for additional material
which may not make it into weekly issues (gh)

DXLD YAHOOGROUP: Why wait for DXLD? A lot more info, not all of it
appearing in DXLD later, is posted at our yg without delay.

When applying, please identify yourself with your real name and location, and say something about why you want to join. Those who do not, unless I recognize them, will be prompted once to do so and no action will be taken otherwise. Here`s where to sign up: http://groups.yahoo.com/group/dxld/

** ALBANIA. Please note; We will stop broadcasting on 1395 kHz as of 1 January 2017. Regards, Harry Bettig, Director, Media Services, TWR Europe (via Drita «iÁo, Albania; with B-16 scheduled, unchanged, DXLD)

** ALBANIA. 9855-, Oct 8 at 0127, R. Tirana IS plus humroar = only S3 (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

9854.95, Oct 11 at 0128, R. Tirana IS and humroar are barely audible at S3. Other Albanian site with CRI English relay was good and clear even before 0100 on 9570. See also TIBET [non] for 9855 occupant then (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

RT Albania Shijak in English, 2016-Oct-12, at 0124-0135 UT. 9854.968, Radio Tirana English language service to Western Europe, GB and IRL S=5-6 signal, to east coast of North America, USA / Canada, S=7 or -85dBm signal,

BUT AS USUAL IN PAST MONTHS HEAVY BUZZY DISTORTED AUDIO QUALITY noted. And a spurious BROADBAND BUZZ peaks noise signal noted on 50, 100 ... 600 Hertz distance apart either sideband. Small audio of 3.8 to 4 kHz bandwidth wide noted. Listen to the enclosed recording in mp3 format.

The Albanian technician at Shijak tx bcast center
COULDN'T SOLVE THIS AUDIO FAULT PROBLEM yet.

The RT interval signal was already early on air around 0124 UT, usual daily English service started at 0130:28 UT.
[selected SDR options, span 12.5 kHz RBW 15.3 Hertz] (Wolfgang B¸schel, df5sx, wwdxc BC-DX TopNews Oct 12, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** ALGERIA. Hi everyone, Algeria gets new SW transmitters. A 300 kW transmitter in BÈchar is to start broadcasting in early 2017, a second transmitter is being erected in Ouargla. They will carry selected programmes of Radio AlgÈrie Internationale and of the Qur`an channel. Target area: Mauritania, Mali, Niger & Chad
http://www.aps.dz/sante-sciences-tech/47406-bechar-mise-en-service-prochaine-d%E2%80%99une-station-de-radiodiffusion-vers-les-pays-du-sahel
(RÈmy Friess, France, BDXC-UK yg via WORLD OF RADIO 1847, DXLD) Viz.:

Re Kurzwelle BÈchar-s¸dˆstlich und Quargla-s¸dwestlich,
¸berkreuz dorthin, wo jetzt die Angela reist. Das ist ein 12 Jahre

alter Hut aus 2004 / 2005, wird's jetzt endlich realisiert? Da haben die Ampegon Manager jetzt gr¸nes Licht?

http://ampegon.com/news/?id=57

Die franzˆsische TDF Issoudun hat ja als Kompensation schon seit 11 Jahren die RTA Algier Programme morgens aund abends auf KW ¸bertragen.

http://www.hfcc.org/doc/HFCC_REP_2013-005-B13_Bratislava-Ampegon_Presentation.pdf

(Wolfgang B¸schel, WORLD OF RADIO 1847, DX LISTENING DIGEST) Viz.:

lundi, 10 octobre 2016 17:19

BECHAR: MISE EN SERVICE PROCHAINE DíUNE STATION DE RADIODIFFUSION VERS LES PAYS DU SAHEL Photo-APS-Archives

BECHAR - Une station de radiodiffusion des programmes de radio AlgÈrie internationale et la radio du Coran vers les pays du sahel (Mauritanie, Mali, Niger et Tchad) ‡ partir de Bechar sera mise en service durant le premier trimestre 2017, a-t-on appris lundi auprËs de la direction rÈgionale de líentreprise publique TÈlÈdiffusion díAlgÈrie (TDA).

Cette station, qui Èmettra en ondes courtes de 300 kilowatts ‡ partir de líun des centres de radiodiffusion de la TDA ‡ Bechar, vise une meilleure couverture des pays du Sahel par les programmes des chaines prÈcitÈes de la radio nationale, sur des tranches horaires bien dÈterminÈes assurant une rÈception confortable par rapport ‡ celle díautres radiodiffuseurs en ondes courtes fortement prÈsents dans cette rÈgion, a-t-on prÈcisÈ.

Cette nouvelle infrastructure de radiodiffusion, disposant de moyens techniques ultramodernes, vise aussi ‡ porter trËs loin ‡ líextÈrieur la voix de líAlgÈrie, ‡ travers les programmes diffusÈs par ces mÍmes chaines de la radio nationale, a-t-on assurÈ.

Une station similaire est Ègalement en rÈalisation ‡ Ouargla, a-t-on fait savoir (via WORLD OF RADIO 1847, DXLD)

We`ll believe it when we hear them. This project has been pending for many years, yet imaginary schedules keep being registered. Meanwhile, FRANCE has been carrying Algeria on two SW channels much of the day, which may well serve the Sahel better than too-close Algerian sites (Glenn Hauser, WORLD OF RADIO 1847, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** ANTARCTICA. 15476, Fri Oct 7 at 1918, no signal from LRA36, but time to keep an ear on this, as per report from Italy quoted on WORLD

OF RADIO 1846 that they hope to get antenna tower repaired soon and back on the air. Previous schedule was roughly 18-21 UT Mon-Fri only.

Incredibly, despite its protracted absence, not heard since last year (altho it tried to come back July 27) no one has usurped 15475 (last used by Gabon until it crashed), nor is there anything on 15470 during RNASG hours; but there is now something on 15480, which is AWR Arabic via Madagascar at 19-20 (and also R. Publique Africaine via France to Burundi at 18-19). IIRC LRA36 was rather USB, but in this case one might prefer LSB (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** ARGENTINA. Re: RAE relaunch today --- Only continuous music (with a lot of pleasant tangos) on 11710 kHz (approx.) this UT morning (Thursday, 6 October), with fair to good (at times) signal here in NB. Recorded audio on the frequency overnight from 0200 onwards. Specific-language IDs during the one-hour segments as well as multilingual IDs, sometimes looped for several repeats in a row, and time pips on the hour and half hour. Audio stopped at about 0453:30 with the carrier off at about 0457:00. So, looks like the new services are still yet to start (-- Richard Langley, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Yes, there was a program in English, inaugurating the new service, followed by Italian. Recorded but signal not great. Should be better this evening with my own receiver. Frequency measured to be close to 15345.4 kHz but varied a bit as I made the measurement (Richard Langley, NB, 1910 UT Oct 6, ibid.)

15345+v, Oct 6 at 1840, JBA carrier from RAE Argentina to the World. Richard Langley confirms that the English hour did relaunch on this broadcast.

11710.59, UT Friday Oct 7 at 0320, the other English hour from RAE ATTW indeed with some talk instead of music, but too weak, S2-S4 with flutter. 0353 recheck, maybe it was really English despite saying ``hasta maÒana`` and into interval routine of IS and IDs multilingual, W&M alternately.

What I assume is the new IS consists of four notes: lo-mid-lo-hi. We`ll have to hear it properly only on a webcast. Could copy one ``Argentina to the World``. 0400 timesignal accurate to a semisecond compared to WWV a minute later. And then supposed to continue one more hour in Spanish instead of Chinese.

Brazilians are in a much better position to hear this. On the radioescutas list, Luiz Chaine Neto in Limeira SP opines (my translation) the morning of October 5: ``They changed name, but their shortwaves continue worse than ever. On 19m instead of 15345, Radio Nacional or RAE is heard on 15525 or 15530 with very distorted audio,

well-saturated. They changed their name, but if they want to continue with SW, the station has to scrap the old transmitters and get new ones`` (Glenn Hauser, OK, WORLD OF RADIO 1847, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

That was originally in DXLD 16-40. And led to a further exchange:

Luiz, N„o vejo como obvio reportar boa programaÁ„o, boa propagaÁ„o, boa etc. Quando isso acontece, especialmente ao mesmo tempo, È uma raridade. A emissora, por exemplo, n„o controla propagaÁ„o, isso n„o significa que ela n„o esteja operando 100% em termos tÈcnicos e de qualidade. AbraÁos, (Vince, radioescutas yg via DXLD)

Caro Vince, Para parar por aqui, eu lhe reporto que todo tÈcnico de emissora tem a obrigaÁ„o de ficar atento ‡ emiss„o das ondas, para que ele tenha noÁ„o de como est· funcionando o transmissor no qual ele d· manutenÁ„o. … o trabalho dele. AbraÁos (Luiz Chaine Neto, Limeira SP, 6-10-2016, ibid.)

Concordo, mas ele n„o pode fazer nada com a propagaÁ„o. E mesmo quando um franqueador religioso decide correr a sacolinha +/- 5 kHz de sua frequÍncia, com modulaÁ„o baguncada, o m·ximo que ele pode fazer È "rezar" que as "otoridades' competentes faÁam o seu trabalho. Em ondas curtas tudo È notÌcia. Abracos, (Vince, ibid.)

Re: RAE-Argentina to the World --- Caro Vince, Quando reporto irregularidades em uma transmiss„o em ondas curtas, especialmente, È porque est· acontecendo tal fato. Sou useiro e vezeiro de apontar tais falhas para melhorar. Sou radioescuta desde os 9 anos de idade quando ficava horas e horas na escuta das ondas curtas e tropicais. Aprendi muito a educar meus ouvidos. Apenas procuro orientar quem possivelmente informe a emissora. Eu tambÈm envio e-mail ‡ emissora. J· ajudei muito algumas. SÛ que um colega nosso aqui me disse que os coment·rios s„o depressivos. Um abraÁo (Luiz Chaine Neto, Limeira SP, Brasil, Oct 6, radioescutas yg via DXLD) continued under BRAZIL

Hi! I am Arnaldo Slaen, manager from "Actualidad DX.com.ar", the new DX programme in Spanish with 45 minutes each Saturday. These days the station is transmitting only music and identifications. The new programmes from RAE begin next week. I am going to report the new sked this Saturday in all DX Lists. 73 (Arnaldo Slaen, Oct 6, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

I did monitor and record RAE last night on nominal 11710 kHz. Unfortunately, the audio was obliterated most of the time with a raucous buzz on the frequency. It wasn't there the previous night and not there this morning when I retrieved my equipment -- set up, as usual, about 40 metres away from the house to avoid RFI. Might try again this evening to see, in part, if I can get a decent recording of

the new IS (-- Richard Langley, Oct 7, ibid.)

Se lanzÛ la nueva RAE-Argentina al Mundo --- ìRAE-Argentina al Mundoî, la nueva plataforma de Radio Nacional que combina sus tradicionales emisiones en onda corta al exterior m·s una serie de servicios digitales - que estar·n disponibles desde maÒana -, fue presentada por las autoridades de la emisora en el emblem·tico auditorio de Maip˙ 555. Lea la nota completa en
https://gruporadioescuchaargentino.wordpress.com/
(Arnaldo Slaen, Oct 7, condiglista yg via DXLD) Viz.:

SE LANZ" LA NUEVA RAE-ARGENTINA AL MUNDO --- 07/10/2016

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http://www.radionacional.com.ar/rae-argentina-al-mundo/
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Resultado de imagen para RAE argentina al mundo [caption]

ìLa onda corta es en sÌ misma una expresiÛn de soberanÌa, pero ahora estar· integrada tambiÈn por una plataforma digital que la potenciaî, asegurÛ Ana Gerschenson, directora ejecutiva de Radio Nacional.

ìLa radio de hoy est· a la vanguardia de las nuevas tecnologÌas, pero a la vez es necesario sostener lo analÛgico. Si hubiera un apagÛn de internet, lo que persiste en la onda corta y ese es el servicio histÛrico de RAE, que continuar·î, agregÛ.

RAE (RadiodifusiÛn Argentina al Exterior), emisora integrante de Radio Nacional, comenzÛ sus servicios en 1949 - con otra denominaciÛn - como una herramienta de comunicaciÛn en onda corta con el objetivo de difundir las noticias de Argentina en el mundo.

Con excepciÛn de Radio Habana Cuba, no existe en AmÈrica Latina ñ adem·s de RAE - ning˙n servicio que genere contenidos en ocho idiomas en estos formatos de comunicaciÛn.

ìRAE se fundÛ como tal en 1958 y tiene el antecedente de SIRA (Servicio de RadiodifusiÛn Internacional p˙blico de Argentina) en 1949. Siempre buscÛ puentes de amistad. Por dÈcadas su servicio de onda corta fue lo m·s avanzado que existÌa en tÈrminos de tecnologÌaî, afirmÛ Luis MarÌa Barassi, director de RAE.

ìEl 60 por ciento de la poblaciÛn mundial, seg˙n un informe del Banco Mundial, no tiene acceso a internet; por eso resulta importante

sostener lo analÛgico. Un viejo profesor me decÌa - y sigue siendo asÌ - que la frontera del paÌs es la frontera a donde llega su onda cortaî, asegurÛ.

La renovada plataforma de Radio Nacional, adem·s del formato analÛgico, emitir· en streaming con programaciÛn continua de lunes a lunes, las 24 horas en sus ocho idiomas: espaÒol, italiano, portuguÈs, chino, francÈs, japonÈs, inglÈs y alem·n.

TambiÈn emitir· m˙sica en seis canales: dedicados al tango, folclore, m˙sica cl·sica, popular, jazz y fusiÛn y rock.

De lunes a lunes [sic], la seÒal de RAE Argentina al Mundo tendr· adem·s de noticias, microprogramas de aproximadamente 18 minutos con contenidos especÌficos vinculados a turismo, deportes y m˙sica.

El nuevo servicio de RAE representa, seg˙n advirtieron los sindicatos de los trabajadores de la radio, un desafÌo pendiente de resoluciÛn ya que el personal de Radio Nacional persiste encuadrado fuera del convenio colectivo de prensa oral y escrita; y, con la nueva plataforma, se suman tareas que se corresponden con nuevos convenios cuando todavÌa no se han resuelto los conflictos previos.

La ceremonia de lanzamiento de RAE contÛ con la presencia de Hern·n Enrique Susini y Hern·n Gonzalo Susini, familiares de Enrique TelÈmaco Susini, uno de los pioneros de la radiodifusiÛn en la Argentina y uno de los responsables de la primera emisiÛn, el 27 de agosto de 1920 en el teatro Coliseo (Telam, via GRA blog via DXLD)

15345.26v, Oct 7 at 1921, RAE is JBA at S1, and frequency is varying as I measure it (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Just heard in their German service the announcement that RAE will not be on the air this weekend. So, may be they will transmit their Radio Nacional program instead as before? 73 (Harald Kuhl, Germany, 2106 UT Oct 7, BDXC-UK yg via DXLD)

11710.66, RAE heard on 8 Oct from both Edmonton Perseus site and home QTH from 0142 tune with program in Chinese and many multi-lingual IDs. 0200 in French with multi-lingual IDs. Retuned at 0302 for English program. Heard female vocal with piano accompaniment to 0305 followed by man in Spanish to 0305.5 (Argentinian). Then into male announcer with English and frequency, program announcements to 0307. Argentinian male vocal 0307 to 0309, multi-lingual announcements to 0310, news by man at 0310 led by headlines. Short music segments between news items. At 0314 ìThis news was brought to you by Argentina to the World, RAEî. Pop vocal at 0314. Woman with history feature at 0318 ñ appeared to be about the Argentinian War of Independence events in 1817-1818 led by

General San MartÌn. Time pips and man in English at 0330 followed by Argentinian male vocal. Signal peaked 0302 to 0330, then a slow fade to tune out at 0358 (Bruce Churchill, Fallbrook CA, Oct 8, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

15345v, Saturday Oct 8 at 1834, no signal detectable at all from RAE ATTW, nor at 1851. Is English really on the air weekends now as promised?

11710v, UT Sunday Oct 9 at 0307, NO signal circa 11710.6v either, so it looks like their promise to expand to 7 days a week was empty. Should be propagating and detectable if on, as the weaker ZYs on 25m are, 11815, 11925+, etc. (Glenn Hauser, OK, WORLD OF RADIO 1847, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

15345v, re my non-hearing anything from RAE ATTW on Saturday Oct 8, nor on 11710.6v, UT Sun Oct 9, Wolfgang B¸schel agrees: ``15345v, No signal observed on this channel of RAE around 1015 to 1025 UT, Oct 9th, nothing heard here in Europe, nor on east coast NoAmerica remote units. wb`` (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

11710.59, UT Tue Oct 11 at 0043, RAE in Spanish, talking about Roma, CÛrdoba, 1914y, poor signal, language change for this hour. Recheck Oct 11 at 0349, now I measure it on 11710.614, still poor but can tell it`s in English, again talking about CÛrdoba.

Programming was confirmed to have started Thursday Oct 6, but explaining the no-shows over the weekend, Arnaldo eSlaen told the DXLD yg on October 6: ``Hi! I am Arnaldo Slaen, manager from "Actualidad DX.com.ar", the new DX programme in Spanish with 45 minutes each Saturday. These days the station is transmitting only music and identifications. The new programmes from RAE begin next week. I am going to report the new sked this Saturday in all DX Lists. 73 Arnaldo``

So presumably from Oct 15 there finally will be Saturday and Sunday broadcasts, and may we expect a 45-minute English translation of the DX program during the UT Sunday 0300 hour? Arnaldo is already deeply involved by phone in the 53-minute weekly DX program `La Rosa de Tokio` via WRMI et al., so I assume this one on RAE ATTW will be different (Glenn Hauser, OK, WORLD OF RADIO 1847, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** ARMENIA. Hi All, At the end of the Shortwave Service test from Armenia, the presenter Christian Milling, announced that the test was for a broadcast by SM Radio International, which would take place on Saturday from 1800 to 2000 UT on 6120 kHz (Alan Gale, Oct 12, dxldyg via WORLD OF RADIO 1847, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** AUSTRALIA. DIGITAL RADIO SET TO SPREAD
Channel News, Computer Daily News, 10 October 2016
http://www.channelnews.com.au/digital-radio-set-to-spread-fifield/

The Australian Communications and Media Authority is examining proposals for expanding digital radio services in Australia. Largely due to spectrum issues, digital radio is currently mainly limited to State capitals, with experimental services in Darwin and Canberra.

Communications Minister Mitch Fifield on Friday told a Commercial Radio Australia Conference in Melbourne that a recently established digital radio planning committee had posted ACMA with its latest recommendations for planning principles for rollout of digital radio to regional areas.

ìWhile its principles are a matter for ACMA to consider, I really do recognise and welcome the spirit of cooperation and compromise where necessary for their development,î Fifield said.

He noted that digital radio devices are increasing in popularity with the number of cars fitted with the service tripling in 2015 and a quarter of new vehicles sold last year fitted with digital radio.
Posted by: (Mike Terry, dxldyg via DXLD)

That is the entire article. Are they talking about DAB, or DAB+, exactly the same as in Europe? ``Digital radio`` is totally vague (gh, DXLD)

** AUSTRALIA. 9580, Thu Oct 6 at 1134, RA is indeed amid `The World`, ABC TV newsmagazine, interviewing Dan, some American pundit about Syria, US politix, etc. Shifted from one UT hour later due to irrelevant DST in NSW (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** AUSTRALIA. 3210, Unique Radio heard 25 Sep from 0825 with male announcer until tune out at 0927. Weak audio heard better on AM rather than my usual use of USB from Perseus site in Brisbane. Signal occasionally faded to inaudibility for minute[s?] at a time (Bruce Churchill, Fallbrook CA, Oct 8, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

That was a Sunday, when WORLD OF RADIO should have been on at 0830. See also UNIDENTIFIED 3210 (gh)

** AUSTRALIA [non]. "No longer listed [in WINB schedule] is Unique Radio Saturdays at 1100, nor anywhen." (gh)

Tim Gaynor has suspended his international relay for awhile. As noted on the Unique Radio website: "Our international relay will be in recess for a short time." ñ (Richard Langley, NB, Oct 8, dxldyg via DX

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** AZERBAIJAN. Reception of Voice of Justice or Ictimai Radio Oct 11: 0810-1400 on 9676.9 unknown tx/unknown to CeAs broadband FM modulation http://swldxbulgaria.blogspot.bg/2016/10/reception-of-voice-of-justice-or.html -- 73! (Ivo Ivanov, Sofia, Bulgaria, Sony ICF-2001D 30 m. long wire, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** BAHAMAS. [1540], ZNS1 Nassau, New Providence. 0930 October 6, 2016. Very good with gospel vocals and a little later, a screaming Bahamian preacher. Wasn't until a little past 1000 that they went into full Hurricane Matthew coverage with reports, callers with the eye about 60 miles SW of Nassau. Signal just after 1000 degraded to lower power and audio has been a bit scratchy since last evening. With power somewhat reduced, presumed XESTN Radio RED, Monterrey co-channel with Mexi-tunes (Terry L Krueger, Clearwater FL, WORLD OF RADIO 1847, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

And then there`s 810, ZNS3, Freeport --- eye just went there Thursday evening. In absence of ZNS1 he heard 1540s in USA: TEXAS, CANADA, q.v.

1540, ZNS1, Nassau, New Providence. It's been off since shortly after the eye of Hurricane Matthew passed near, still off as of 1030 GMT check October 7.

1540, ZNS1, Nassau, New Providence. 0454 October 9, 2016. Al Green "Let's Stay Together" then Bahamian-accented man, "The National Voice of the Bahamas. It's midnight. Do you know where your kids are?" Excellent signal. Back on sometime earlier today after being off after Hurricane Matthew (Terry Krueger, FL, WORLD OF RADIO 1847, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

810, ZNS3, Freeport, Grand Bahama. 0826 October 9, 2016. Soul, about one second behind daddy ZNS1. At times peaking to very good, a rarity here. And no trace of WRSO, Orlo Vista. Could Hurricane Matthew have knocked them off? One can only hope (Terry L Krueger, Clearwater FL, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** BENIN [and non]. NETHERLANDS/INDIA/KOREA --- One of the DX MW frequencies is 1566 kHz. Here in the early morning till 0314 UT is Vahon Hindustani Radio from Den Haag, the Netherlands, at 0314 UT is s/on of TWR Africa from Parakou, Benin, featuring a program in English 0316-0326 UT Mon-Fri, next in vernacular. After the sunset (now at 1630-1930 UT) is HLAZ/FEBC, Korea in Korean (at 1830-1900 UT in Russian) plus "wuu - wuu " jamming from North Korea and later AIR in Hindi - a program same as on SW. All often observed, when on 1565 kHz is not a Greek pirate music station (Rumen Pankov, Bulgaria, Oct 8, via wwdxc BC-DX TopNews Oct 11 via DXLD)

** BOLIVIA. 3310, R Mosoj Chaski heard on 22 Sep from Perseus site in Edmonton with Bolivian vocal at 0840 tune, Fair level with heavy static. Female at 0843 with occasional notes on a flute-like instrument. Vocal by childrenís group at 0845 (Bruce Churchill, Fallbrook CA, Oct 8, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** BOLIVIA. 5580.24, R. San JosÈ (presumed), Weak music, obviously R. San JosÈ at 2253. M announcer noted after 2300. Heard later after 0000, but only a tad better. (2 Oct.) 73 (Dave Valko, Dunlo, PA USA, Perseus, Wellbrook ALA1530S and 153 triangular Delta Loop and Perseus net receivers, Hard-Core-DX mailing list via DXLD)

** BOLIVIA. (late report), 6025, Tnx to Ronís tip on 6025 R. Patria Nueva, tuned here at 0238 on 1 Sep [sic, surely means 1 Oct?] with vocals and soft-voice male announcer ñ heavy QRM from both 6020 and 6035. Weak but steady and easy to copy signal (Bruce Churchill, Fallbrook CA, Oct 8, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

You mean heavy QRM de 6030 instead of 6035? Cuban radio war (gh, DXLD)

** BOUGAINVILLE. 3325 was off at 0953 but was on at 1016 check but only about as strong at 3275. Much, much weaker than usual. (7 Oct.) 73 (Dave Valko, Dunlo, PA USA, Perseus, Wellbrook ALA1530S and 153 triangular Delta Loop and Perseus net receivers, Hard-Core-DX mailing list via DXLD)

3325, Oct 8 at 1154, music from NBC, or is it RRI Palangkaraya, INDONESIA? Ron Howard is on holiday so can`t depend on him to sort out which by sign-off times. 1232 still in with talk.

Atsunori Ishida at http://rri.jpn.org logged RRI on the air until 1700v* the past week but today`s info not yet posted (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

3325, NBC Bougainville, 1156*, Oct 12. Before going off, mixing with RRI Palangkaraya (which was later not on the air at 1339, so RRI went off very early today) (Ron Howard, Calif., dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** BRAZIL. [thread continued from ARGENTINA] Qualidade de transmiss„o.

Boa tarde, amigos. Os radiodifusores, leia-se propriet·rios de emissoras de r·dio e TV, muito raramente importam-se com sua planta transmissora, mantendo-a com o mÌnimo para que funcionem. Algumas vezes, nem isso, como no caso de suas emissıes em Ondas Curtas, que s„o UMA OBRIGA«√O que a entidade assumiu, j· que s„o autorizat·rias de um serviÁo p˙blico. Assim, n„o podemos culpar sÚmente o tÈcnico da

entidade pela qualidade da transmiss„o. Penso que devemos denunciar o problema ‡ autoridade competente, no caso a Anatel, para que a mesma proceda com a fiscalizaÁ„o, identifique o problema e haja para que a entidade irregular o resolva. Os canais para den˙ncia de problemas s„o o telefone 1331 (gratuito) e pelo site da AgÍncia
http://www.anatel.gov.br
Denunciemos e insistamos para que a mesma faÁa sua funÁ„o, pela qual todos pagamos. 73, (Adriano Becker, PY3AK, Sent from Yahoo Mail on Android, Oct 6, radioescutas yg via DXLD)

Tenho reportado diretamente com a emissora cujo funcionamento n„o esteja normal. Tem dado resultado, pois ameaÁo comunicar a Anatel. Eles tÍm medo dela, porÈm, essa entidade n„o faz nada. Tenho experiÍncia desse descaso (Luiz Chaine Neto, Limeira SP, ibid.)

** BRAZIL. 6120, Super R Deus È Amor heard 8 Oct from Perseus site in Edmonton from 0430 tune. Improving signal to past 0520, from S2 to S3. Retuned this channel at 0610 to hear Super R·dio at much stronger level (S4) but overmodulated. Various men and women announcers, mixed with music selections (Bruce Churchill, Fallbrook CA, Oct 8, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST) see Brasilian reports of lots of spurs (gh)

R·dio Universo via R·dio Globo 6120 kHz com Espurio em 6215 kHz (Ondas Curtas 49M), OM com OraÁ„o crist„. O esp˙rio nessa manh„ de hoje atingiu somente os 6215 kHz, mas nessa semana em outras escutas pude ouvi-lo em menor intesidade nos 6070, 6155, 6160 e 6165 kHz. SINPO 34333 em 0936 UT Dia 06 Outubro 2016
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ld5L--SSVFs&feature=youtu.be
RX: Tecsun S-2000 Antenna: Beverage simples NSSEA-21 (Daniel Wyllyans, Nova Xavantina MT Brazil, Hard-Core-DX mailing list via DXLD)

A long rather contentious discussion follows over who really owns the 6120 station, no longer Globo, but SRDA? Related to R. Universo, something on 880? Whether Anatel official sources are correct and reliable? I decide not to try to unravel all this chronologically (gh)

Daniel, do me a favor and open
http://www.ipda.com.br/conteudo.php?submenuid=34
Check what's listed for 6120 KHz. This will clarify the station (legal) name (Radio 880). I believe (but don't have evidence) this station is 24x7 mirroring the audio of Universo 1300 kHz, so we never actually her 880 id'ing itself. Funny all these stations transmit solely one programme "Voz da LibertaÁ„o" (Huelbe Garcia, radioescutas yg via DXLD)

Aos colegas H. Garcia e Paulo Peres e outros: Em outra oportunidade troquei e-mails com o respons·vel do transmissor de 6120 kHz da R·dio Deus È Amor, ou 880, com a finalidade de sanar as interferÍncias que

essa emissora causava na faixa de 49m. Custou, mas tiraram do ar para manutenÁ„o. Ficamos livres daqueles incÙmodos ruÌdos. Percebo que recolocaram no ar 6120 kHz com o mesmo defeito. Esse TX foi adquirido da R·dio Globo por essa entidade religiosa. - Eu perdi o e-mail direto com o respons·vel que resolve o problema. Uma pena. Recorrer ‡ Anatel È perda de tempo. --- Agora, vejo aqui no grupo, o mesmo assunto que eu reportei um temp„o atr·s. Interessante. ParabÈns pessoal, È assim que se faz. A tribuna, para tratar de assuntos relacionados com r·dio, È aqui mesmo. Forte 73 (Luiz Chaine Neto, ibid.)

Chaine, Obrigado por confirmar que o emissor n„o È mais da Globo. O vÌdeo que o Daniel postou dias atr·s mostra que os 6120 est„o muito ruins ainda È gerado esp˙rio em 6215 (Huelbe Garcia, ibid.)

** BRAZIL. 6160.045, Presumed R. Rio Mar on already at 0945. Quite a het created with CKZN just below 6160. Had drifted up from 6160.03 to 6160.045 by 1010. (7 Oct.) 73 (Dave Valko, Dunlo, PA USA, Perseus, Wellbrook ALA1530S and 153 triangular Delta Loop and Perseus net receivers, Hard-Core-DX mailing list via DXLD)

** BRAZIL. 14440 kHz (Esp˙rio R·dio InconfidÍncia) Talvez o esp˙rio veio de 15190 kHz j· que o audio de 15190 kHz estava muito saturado OU ainda pode ser do 6010 kHz j· que os dois transmissores SW da emissora estavam ligados. OM com CX de jogo, SINPO 34222 em 0036 UT Dia 05 Outubro 2016:
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=xhBkkP42XKk&feature=youtu.be
RX: Tecsun S-2000 Antenna: Beverage simples NSSEA-21 (Daniel Wyllyans Nova Xavantina MT, Hard-Core-DX mailing list via WORLD OF RADIO 1847, DXLD)

Could it be a SW minus MW mixing product? Unseems; difference 750 kHz, but nothing listed in that area (Glenn Hauser, DXLD)

** BRAZIL. Starting 16 October 2016 the daily programme called "Com A M„e Aparecida" in Portuguese (= Together with Mother Apparition) will be on the air 1 hour earlier. On SW as follows:

2200-2400 on 5035, 6135, 9630, 11855 kHz, via txs of R·dio Aparecida; 0000-0700 on 5035, 6040, 6135, 9630, 9725, 9819, 11855, and 11935 kHz via transmitters of Aparecida, R·dio Be Dois, R·dio Nove de Julho. This program is aired via many (over 100?) local radio stations in Brazil on MW (and maybe on more SW freqs?). (Rumen Pankov, Bulgaria, via wb df5sx, Oct 9, wwdxc BC-DX TopNews Oct 11 via WORLD OF RADIO 1847, DXLD)

He`s referring to the start of DST in parts of Brasil, forcing lots of programming and perhaps some SW sign on/off time one real UT hour earlier, such as government-mandated Voz do Brasil moving from 2200 to

2100 UT on most stations, but some avoid it or delay it (Glenn Hauser, WORLD OF RADIO 1847, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** BURUNDI [non]. Reception of Radio Publique Africaine via TDF Issoudun, Oct 12
1800-1830 on 15480 ISS 250 kW / 145 deg to SoAf Kirundi
1830-1858 on 15480 ISS 250 kW / 145 deg to SoAf French
http://swldxbulgaria.blogspot.bg/2016/10/reception-of-radio-publique-africaine.html
-- 73! (Ivo Ivanov, QTH: Sofia, Bulgaria, Oct 12, dxldyg via DXLD)

** CANADA. 1540, CHIN, Toronto, Ontario. 0003 GMT October 7, 2016. With ZNS1 Nassau off, this one in on the back side of greyline with subcontinental, maybe Hindi, Bollywood-ish vocals. CHIN website shows "South Asian" (Hindi, Punjabi, Sindhi, Gujarati and Urdu) M-F 7:30 pm-12 am ET along with other times, a match. Rarely heard on this side of FL even with Nassau off.

1540, CHIN, Toronto, Ontario. 1010 October 8, 2016. Punjabistani vocals, alone and good in absence of ZNS1. But this would be the last night of ZNS1 off (Terry L Krueger, Clearwater FL, WORLD OF RADIO 1847, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** CANADA. CHHA-1610 finally made it to San Diego. CHHA gets out extremely well, virtually wiping out TIS DX back east. After logging this station on vacation in Colorado a few years in a row, and from the Border Inn last year, I knew it was just a matter of time before they made it to San Diego. I've been listening for it on a few Sunday nights each month for some time now. (I do this because they run the Canadian national anthem just before Midnight eastern time on Sunday nights; the other Canadian station does not. That anthem really stands out on a TIS channel! They also occasionally run an English language public affairs program earlier on Sunday nights, or at least they did when I was back east a few years ago).

We have a stupid "Pelecanus`` pirate/unlicensed station here in San Diego but CHHA finally poked through tonight with a nice solid signal. This is the first new station in a LONG time from my home listening post. Now back to my Border Inn recordings. 73 (Tim Hall, Oct 9, ABDX via DXLD)

** CANADA. Article and film Documentary on living near the Sackville shortwave site --- Thump, October 7

The Untold Story of the Small Canadian Town that was haunted by shortwave radio transmissions --- Jesse Locke

Since World War II, residents of Sackville, New Brunswick heard voices

in their sinks, refrigerators, and radiator pipes. Lights glowed on and off at random, and even transmitted thoughts into their minds, causing one spooked soul to dream in languages that he was unable to speak. For anyone unaware of their source, these broadcasts from beyond could sound supernatural.

The foreign tongues filtering into the east coast Canadian town with a population of less than 6,000, were actually due to shortwave transmissions, unintentionally picked up from 13 radio towers located in the saltwater Tantramar Marshes.

Full article including 5 minutes of video from the documentary Spectres of Shortwave and interview with filmmaker Amanda Dawn Christie.
https://thump.vice.com/en_ca/article/sackville-spectres-of-shortwave-doc-amanda-dawn-christie-interview
Posted by: (Mike Barraclough, DXLD yg via DXLD)

SPECTRES OF SHORTWAVE
https://vimeo.com/165521172
An upcoming 2 hour documentary on the towers of Radio Canada -- (Colin Newell, Victoria - Canada, Hard-Core-DX mailing list via DXLD)

The Best film about Shortwave radio in production.
http://www.amandadawnchristie.ca/spectres-of-shortwave/
Was just speaking with the producer - director of this film - a young lady. If there ever was a film that needed to be made, that begged to be made. This was it - a 2 hour documentary on the RCI Transmitter site in Sackville, New Brunswick, Canada -- coming soon (Colin Newell, Oct 13, IRCA via DXLD)

Visiting Sackville, was like the Holy Grail of Shortwave. The staff was always very welcoming, and during the summers, they even hired students as tour guides. Canada once had a proud presence on SW. We even issued stamps honouring RCI, and new transmitters (in the 70s, I think). What a sad loss. Another great visit was to RCI's monitoring base outside of Ottawa [Stittsville]. Another great place, with racks of Racal receivers, and all sorts of exotic antennae outside. Those were the days! 73, (Walt Salmaniw, BC, ibid.)

Colin: Thanks for the post. A short wave broadcast from the CBC IS (later RCI) station at Sackville was the very first I heard. It was a late Sunday afternoon in winter and I was listening on an old receiver found in the upstairs of my grandmother`s house. The broadcast contained a mailbag program hosted by Earle Fisher, and the frequency was 11.72 Mc/s. Surprising what I still remember! I became a regular listener of the service until the end.

Interestingly, while I was stationed in England a few years later, I heard my first trans-Atlantic medium wave DX from CBA-1070, Sackville. The QSL cards from those two broadcasts are among my most treasured. (Richard Allen, near Billings/Perry OK, ibid.)

** CHAD. Some of the others quickly observed tonight around 1800: 6165 RN Chadienne still off. 73 (Thorsten Hallmann, Oct 10, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** CHINA. 9355, Firedrake (jammer) Noted at 1956 until 2001:02 when 9350 WWCR came on and blasted it. Firedrake obviously jamming R. Free Asia. (7 Oct.) (Dave Valko, Dunlo, PA USA, Perseus SDR with Wellbrook ALA 1530S loop antenna and 153 foot Delta Loop, micro-DXpedition, Hard-Core-DX mailing list via DXLD)

** CHINA. 5990, Qinghai PBS, 2304 M talking in Chinese or similar alternating with Chinese instrumental music on 5990. Same as heard on the Delhi Perseus. Got to be Qinghai. About the same strength as it is in the morning. (2 Oct.) 73 (Dave Valko, Dunlo, PA USA, Perseus, Wellbrook ALA1530S and 153 triangular Delta Loop and Perseus net receivers, Hard-Core-DX mailing list via DXLD)

** COLOMBIA. 5910.01, Oct 11 at 0103, Spanish at S7 citing a capÌtulo, so another erratic appearance by Alcarav·n Radio.

6010.145, Oct 11 at 0104, an even weaker signal here, presumably sibling station The Voice of Thy Conscience, and traces of another off-frequency slightly higher(?) which would be R. InconfidÍncia, Brasil (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

6010.15, LV de tu Conciencia. Heard W in English ending sentence with "...the mercy of the Lord", then into English song sounding much like Van Morrison, and into LA song. ID promo at 0838 between songs. Good at times. Fady. Way off frequency now, but not tremendously variable like it used to be. (8 Oct.) (Dave Valko, Dunlo, PA USA, Perseus SDR with Wellbrook ALA 1530S loop antenna and 153 foot Delta Loop, Hard-Core-DX mailing list via DXLD)

** CONGO. 6115, R. Congo heard on 22 Sep from 1838 tune with two men talking in French. Strong S3 signal from Perseus site in E. Finland with quiet conditions. Adjacent channel QRM from 1859. Carrier suddenly off at 1902.5 in the middle of a man announcer (Bruce Churchill, Fallbrook CA, Oct 8, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

6115, Radio Congo, Brazaville, 1803-1820, 02-10, French, comments. 14321. Also 1812-1823, 06-10, French, comments. 14321 (Manuel MÈndez, Lugo, Spain, Logs in Lugo, Sony ICF SW7600G, cable antenna, 8 meters, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** CONGO DR. 5066.4, R. Candip heard 28 Sep from Perseus site in E. Finland from 1815 tune with extended sked to past 1945. Lots of Highlife music with female and male announcers in French. Quiet condx and moderate signal level. Intermittent ute SSB QRM just above frequency. Slight improvement in signal level throughout listening period (Bruce Churchill, Fallbrook CA, Oct 8, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** CUBA [and non]. 900, Oct 8 at 0154, historical talk in Spanish about Cuba mixing with ad in English for a .ca website. Therefore I am getting 50 kW R. Progreso from way off in San Germ·n, HolguÌn (with // 890, 200 kW in closer Chambas, Ciego de ¡vila blocked by WLS which I am not trying to null); and, 50 kW CHML Hamilton, Ontario (likely rather than CKBI Prince Albert, Saskatchewan, a rarity here). One could easily be getting Mexican or lots of little US stations on 900 too, for four countries at once (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** CUBA. 1350, CMLM, Radio Libertad --- Noted at 0456 this morning: 1350 CMLM Radio Libertad, Puerto Padre, "Esta es Radio Libertad, transmitiendo por los 1350 kHz y los 93.3 MHz de 7 de la maÒana a 11 de la nocheì
https://app.box.com/s/6ekduglbt5l8qvdk0kn7ggr7tpp5gvva
The times given donít match as I make it 0056 Cuban time, but I presume they refer to the stationís local programmes and either they put the ID into whichever network they were relaying overnight or they had extended local programming for this night (Jack Weber, Welwyn, Hertfordshire, UK, Winrad io G33DDC, Excalibur Pro, KAZ at 280 with Wellbrook FLG100, Oct 6, MWCircle yg via DXLD)

Hi Jack, they were 24 h. with local programing due to the Matthew huricane. They normally fill the night with the signal from the Las Tunas provincial station, Radio Victoria. 73! (Mauricio Molano, Salamanca, ESPA—A - SPAIN, RX site: Aldea del Cano, C·ceres. LAT: 39∫17'09.70 N, LONG: 6∫19'00 W, RX: PERSEUS. ANT: WELLBROOK ALA1530S+ http://moladx.blogspot.com/ ibid.)

** CUBA. 9535, Oct 7 at 0344, S9 open carrier/dead air from RHC, while 9710 is OK at S9+30 with music. Cannot hear any spur carriers now on 9465 or 9605 (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** CUBA. 9790, Oct 7 at 0339, CRI English relay is S9+55 but very undermodulated. This is one of those transmitters (like some WWCR, WTWW), which are accompanied by sharp spur/carrier peaks surrounding them, but coming and going, varying with modulation. As I tune across this wideband signal, I note these things on approximate frequencies, most of them with vestiges of program modulation on them, but so close

they are hetting each other as well:

9781.55, 9781.74, 9781.95, 9782.18, 9782.37, 9784.43, 9784.89, 9785.33, 9786.05, 9786.43, 9786.61, 9787.00v, 9787.07 --- but not much on the plus side of 9790 (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGST)

** CUBA. 5040, Oct 8 at 0144, RHC is OFF this frequency, still on 6000, 6060, 6165, 9535, etc. Maybe they are finally working on that transmitter.

5040, Oct 9 at 0002, RHC is back on tonight, in Kriyol, but still undermodulated, and suffering excessive splash from 5050 WWRB. Really, it`s Cuba which ought to do the splashing, like around 11670! (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** CUBA. Checked CRI 5990 kHz outlet on Oct 9: 5990 2300-2357 8S,10,11W HAB 250 n-d cross dipole ant #930 Eng CUB CRI RTC

Noted some buzz peaks like 60, 120, 240, 360, 480 Hertz apart distance [selected SDR options, span 12.5 kHz RBW 15.3 Hertz] (Wolfgang B¸schel, df5sx, wwdxc BC-DX TopNews Oct 11 via DXLD)

15370. RHC. Octubre 9. 2230-2251 UT. Supuestamente deberÌa emitirse la secciÛn en Esperanto. No obstante, est· el programa `El mundo de la filatelia` en EspaÒol. Y las 2242, inicia: `En contacto` sobre la adopciÛn de la televisiÛn digital en Cuba. SINPO: 55555 con sobremodulaciÛn y corte abrupto a las 2251 (Claudio Galaz, RX: TECSUN PL-660, ANT: Hilo de 40 metros, QTH: Ovalle, Chile, condiglista yg via DXLD)

11930, Oct 11 at 0039, post-MartÌ there is not much jamming noise needed, but again am hearing those curious strings of beeps, how many varying, and the pitch of each string varying (with BFO on, so rather their exact frequency offset is changing). Evidently some alternative application of the DentroCuban Jamming Command network, but why and what? To convey any intelligence, the only known factors are number of beeps, and exact frequency offset. Or maybe they are just playing around for fun (Glenn Hauser, OK, WORLD OF RADIO 1847, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** CUBA [non]. From the Isle of Music Preview for October 17/19

A potpourri of styles of Cuban music --- Our October 18 (October 17 in the Americas on WBCQ) program offers a potpourri of reissues of Cuban music from prior decades and some more Cubadisco 2016 nominees - a mixture of traditional and contemporary.

Two options for listening on shortwave:

WBCQ, 7490, Tuesdays 0000-0100 UT
(8-9 pm EDT Mondays in the Americas)
Channel 292, 6070, Tuesdays 1900-2000 UT (2100-2200 CEST)
See the NOTES section of our Facebook page for more information (Bill Tilford, Oct 12, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** EGYPT. 12005. October 6, 2016. 2213-2230, Radio Cairo, Abu Zaabal, in Portuguese. Open carrier with good signal and strong motorboating audio during this log (DXer: JosÈ Ronaldo Xavier (JRX), Cabedelo-PB, Brazil, Degen DE1103 + Tecsun S-2000, Antenna: Portable Telescopic, Hard-Core-DX mailing list via DXLD)

** ERITREA. 7147, 4/10 1745, Voice of the Broad Masses of Eritrea 1 - Asmara, Afar, NX, buono
7175, 4/10 1710, Voice of the Broad Masses of Eritrea 2 - Asmara Afar talk, buono (Roberto Pavanello, Vercelli / Italia, shortwave yg via DXLD) So you were hearing no DRjaM? (gh, DXLD)

[and non]. 7146.56, Oct 6 at 0322, JBA carrier under DRMish jamming, so ETHIOPIA has now found the other VOBME frequency. Also DRMJ covering 7165-7185 but no VOBME 7175 JBA carrier detectable until 0328.

7174.89, Oct 7 at 0335, carrier detectable amid DRM noise, so VOBME must be off-frequency from 7175.0. Despite both het and Ethiopian jamming, someham on 7175.0-LSB is attempting a QSO by calling CQ 40!

7136-7156, Oct 7 at 0337, DRM jamming at S9 against the other VOBME, carrier JBA on 7146.55.

7138-7148, Oct 10 at 0353, DRM-style jamming noise, but cannot detect Eritrea carrier amid circa 7146, and strangely not so much of it on the plus side. This is about S8, while just up the exclusive worldwide 40m hamband, louder S9+25 DRM noise jamming from 7164 to 7186, obliterating any Eritrean carrier which might have been on its other frequency, 7175 (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

ERITREA, 7146.55 not heard 1700 +/- on Saturday, Sunday and Monday, also jamming gone by Sunday. None of the "normal" channels of this transmitter used either (like 7100, 7200, 7205, 7210, 7220).

Some of the others quickly observed tonight around 1800: 6115 R. Congo slightly stronger than 6110 R. Fana. Unusual. The former irregular for weeks. Nothing on 6030 or 6090, so R. Kaduna off (was only on for one or two days in September, it seems), R. Oromiya and R. Amhara usually off from 1730 to 1930. 7205 Sudan: low and distorted modulation, for at least a week now. 7120 R. Hargeysa on low modulation also for at least a week. 7750 Warsan Radio still there, 6165 RN Chadienne still

off. 73 (Thorsten Hallmann, Germany, Oct 10, dxldyg via DXLD)

7146.56, V. of the Broad Masses of Eritrea. Found here on this odd frequency at 0313 with talk by studio W announcer in [unknown] language alternating with Horn of Africa music. Severely jammed with a white noise jammer. Gradually got worse and could barely hear any audio at all by 0330 due to the weakening signal and jammer. Here's the link to a Youtube video of this, 7175 and also 7120 R. Hargeisa
https://youtu.be/4-X6LdcJM6U
(12 Oct.)

7175, V. of the Broad Masses of Eritrea. Barely able to make out music through the severe white noise jammer at 0313 followed by W announcer. More difficult than 7146.56. Was able to hear HoA music at 0316, then M at 0317-0320+. Like 7146.56, couldn't really hear the audio through the jamming by 0330. (12 Oct.) 73 (Dave Valko, Dunlo, PA, Perseus SDR, Wellbrook ALA1530S and 153 foot Delta Loop, Hard-Core-DX mailing list via DXLD)

** ETHIOPIA [and non]. 15625-15630-15635, Oct 8 at 1827, DRM style noise jamming but VOA Amharic on 15630 is still readable. Then I look for // frequencies.

15700 via Lampertheim, Germany is reported to be one such, and there is something weak here, and apparently no jamming, but not enough audio to make a // to 15630. Also reported were a bunch in the 12s, as of Sept 23 via Wolfgang B¸schel in DXLD 16-39 under USA, which were already getting jammed, but tuning across them now, I don`t detect any AM or DRM, presumably too low to be propagating here at midday: 12040, 12080, 12110, 12140, the sites switching around among Lampertheim, Woofferton and Kuwait. I don`t remember a 13 MHz one, but scanning that band I do find:

13855-13860-13865, Oct 8 at 1845, here`s more DRM noise and enough AM signal within it to make a // to 15630, apparently Woofferton too at the moment. Wolfy also figured the formerly M-F Amharic broadcasts had also been expanded to daily, and indeed this is Saturday. Concerns 18-19 UT Amharic, flanked by Oromo at 1730-1800 and Tigrinya at 1900-1930 on more or less the same jumparound frequencies.

I wish some DRM enthusiasts would tune these jammers and report if anything intelligible is audible or visible from them. They might as well play some nice music, ‡ la Firedragon (Glenn Hauser, OK, WORLD OF RADIO 1847, DX LISTENING DIGEST) More under USA [non]

** ETHIOPIA [non]. GERMANY, Powerful signal of Voice of Oromo Liberation via MBR Nauen on Oct 5
1700-1730 on 15420 NAU 100 kW / 139 deg to EaAf Afar Oromo

Wed/Fri/Sun, no jamming
1730-1759 on 15420 NAU 100 kW / 139 deg to EaAf Amharic Wed, today
without jamming
http://swldxbulgaria.blogspot.bg/2016/10/powerful-signal-of-voice-of-oromo.html

Good signal of Voice of Oromo Liberation via MBR Nauen, Oct 7:
1700-1730 on 15420 NAU 100 kW / 139 deg to EaAf Afar Oromo
Wed/Fri/Sun, no jamming
http://swldxbulgaria.blogspot.bg/2016/10/good-signal-of-voice-of-oromo_8.html
(DX RE MIX NEWS #972 from Georgi Bancov and Ivo Ivanov, October 9,
2016 via DXLD)

** ETHIOPIA [and non]. FRANCE, Strong signal of Oromo Voice Radio via
TDF Issoudun on Oct 10
1600-1615 on 17850 ISS 250 kW / 130 deg to EaAf Oromo Mon + jamming
1615-1630 on 17850 ISS 250 kW / 130 deg to EaAf English Mon + jamming
http://swldxbulgaria.blogspot.bg/2016/10/strong-signal-of-oromo-voice-radio-
via.html

Strong signal of Radio Xoriyo Ogaden via TDF Issoudun, Oct 10
1600-1630 on 17870 ISS 500 kW / 130 deg to EaAf Somali Mon/Fri plus
jamming
http://swldxbulgaria.blogspot.bg/2016/10/strong-signal-of-radio-xoriyo-
ogaden_10.html
-- 73! (Ivo Ivanov, Sofia, Bulgaria, Sony ICF-2001D 30 m. long wire,
dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** FRANCE. Already many years, TDF is using a faulty transmitter on
which is aired sound like "kwa - kwa ....", like a frog under
fundamental program. Examples: NHK World Radio Japan Tokyo at:
0500-0530 in English on 11970;
0600-0630 in Arabic on 11965;
1700-1900 in Jpn on 11945, etc. (Rumen Pankov, Bulgaria, Oct 8,
via wwdxc BC-DX TopNews Oct 11 via DXLD)

** FRANCE. Strong signal of Radio France International on Oct 11:
0800-0830 on 15455 ISS 500 kW / 198 deg to WeAf Mandingo Mon-Fri
1200-1230 on 17815 ISS 500 kW / 198 deg to WeAf Mandingo Mon-Fri
http://swldxbulgaria.blogspot.bg/2016/10/strong-signal-of-radio-france.html
-- 73! (Ivo Ivanov, Sofia, Bulgaria, Sony ICF-2001D 30 m. long wire,
dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

LA R…DACTION DE RFI EN MANDINGUE F TE SON PREMIER ANNIVERSAIRE ¿
MONTREUIL, mercredi 19 octobre 2016
PubliÈ le 10-10-2016 ModifiÈ le 10-10-2016 ‡ 16:01
http://www.rfi.fr/com/20161010-redaction-rfi-mandingue-fete-son-premier-
anniversaire-montreuil-mercredi-19-octobre-201

Un an jour pour jour aprËs son lancement, la rÈdaction de RFI en mandingue (mandenkan) dÈlocalise son antenne le 19 octobre ‡ Montreuil o˘ vit la plus grande communautÈ malienne et ´ mandingophone ª de France. Ces Èmissions spÈciales en direct sont rÈalisÈes en partenariat avec líAssociation des Femmes Maliennes* et la Mairie de Montreuil. Deux Èmissions en franÁais, la session díinformation ´ Afrique midi ª et ´ La danse des mots ª síinstallent aussi ‡ Montreuil pour cette journÈe spÈciale parrainÈe par le cÈlËbre musicien malien Cheick Amadou Tidiane Seck.

Au programme, trois tranches díinformation et un magazine en direct de Montreuil:

10h10 - 10h30 : Tranche en mandingue prÈsentÈe par Georges Abel
Des invitÈs dÈbattent sur le thËme ´Les femmes de la diasporaª

14h10 - 14h30 : Tranche en mandingue prÈsentÈe par Safi Luna
Des invitÈs dÈbattent sur le thËme ´Les envois díargent par la diasporaª

14h40 - 15h : ´Afrique midiª (en franÁais) : La vitalitÈ de l'espace culturel mandingue -- Charlotte Idrac propose des tÈmoignages et des reportages sur la langue mandingue, une langue de l'oral, pas toujours valorisÈe, mais portÈe par des artistes, des traditions, des militants et les jeunes.

15h30 ñ 16h : ´La danse des motsª (en franÁais): la famille des langues mandingues --- Yvan Amar reÁoit des invitÈs pour parler des problËmes díintercomprÈhension, des diffÈrences entre les langues, du mandingue ´ central ª, celui parlÈ en France et dans la diaspora

RFI diffuse Ègalement un ´Grand reportageª proposÈ par Charlotte Idrac, avec la participation des correspondants au Mali, au Burkina Faso et en GuinÈe. Paroles d'auditeurs, qui expliquent ce que les programmes de RFI en mandingue leur apportent au quotidien : un nouveau regard sur l'actualitÈ et une ouverture sur le monde. DurÈe : 20 min. Diffusions : 9h40, 14h40 et 19h10 (antenne monde) - 14h10 et 19h10 (antenne Afrique)

A propos de RFI en mandingue:

RFI a lancÈ le 19 octobre 2015 une rÈdaction en mandingue (mandenkan), une langue largement rÈpandue en Afrique de líOuest et dont on estime ‡ quarante millions le nombre de personnes qui la parlent ou qui la comprennent. Ces locuteurs sont principalement maliens, burkinabË, ivoiriens et guinÈens. Cette langue africaine est aussi rÈpandue dans díautres pays, entre autre au SÈnÈgal, au Sierra Leone et au Liberia. La rÈdaction de RFI en mandingue diffuse deux demi-heures de

programmes, du lundi au vendredi, ‡ 8h et 12h (TU) produites par une rÈdaction ouest-africaine basÈe ‡ Paris et un rÈseau de correspondants.

La premiËre demi-heure est diffusÈe via les relais FM de RFI ‡ Monrovia (Liberia) et Freetown (Sierra Leone). La seconde demi-heure est diffusÈe via les relais FM de RFI ‡ Bobo-Dioulasso et Banfora (Burkina Faso), Kankan et NzÈrÈkorÈ (GuinÈe), Bamako, Gao, Kayes, Mopti, SÈgou et Sikasso (Mali). Les Èmissions en mandingue, Ègalement diffusÈes dans toute la rÈgion en ondes courtes et via un rÈseau de radios partenaires, sont aussi accessibles sur tout le continent et mondialement via Internet (site ma.rfi.fr et application mobile). RFI a Ègalement nouÈ un accord avec les opÈrateurs tÈlÈphonique Orange en CÙte díIvoire et Airtel au Burkina Faso portant sur la diffusion audiotel de ses programmes en mandingue.

Une Ètude TNS-Sofres/Africascope* menÈes au Mali entre octobre et dÈcembre 2015, montrait que cette nouvelle offre avait atteint, quelques semaines seulement aprËs son lancement, une notoriÈtÈ de 47% dans la capitale malienne, et 76% des habitants qui avaient dÈj‡ identifiÈ les programmes en mandingue dÈclaraient les Ècouter. Une seconde Ètude menÈe au premier semestre 2016 indique Ègalement une progression de líaudience, notamment dans la tranche de la mi-journÈe ‡ Bamako (Mali) et Ouagadougou (Burkina Faso). Le site ma.rfi.fr gÈnËre 4 000 visites par mois en moyenne.

* L' A.F.M.M (Association des Femmes Maliennes de Montreuil) se donne comme objectif la rencontre des femmes maliennes vivant ‡ Montreuil afin de promouvoir entre elles toute action permettant l'amÈlioration de leurs conditions de vie-Èconomique, sociales et culturelles. L'A.F.M.M se fixe en prioritÈ une aide ‡ apporter ‡ ses membres concernant l'assistance et les dÈmarches sociales, l'Èducation et alphabÈtisation, l'intÈgration et la scolaritÈ de leurs enfants dans la vie locale. afmm.asso-web.com (via Dr Hansjoerg Biener, Oct 10, DXLD)

** GERMANY [and non]. EMR Relay on 15th of October 2016:
2100 to 2200 UT on 7490 - Central & North America via WBCQ.

EMR Relays on 16th of October 2016 [Sun]:
0700 to 0800 UT on 11650 - Southern Europe - Portugal & Spain via KBC.
0800 to 0900 UT on 6045 - Western Europe & UK via KBC.
0800 to 0900 UT on 9485 - Western Europe & UK via MV Baltic Radio.
1900 to 2000 UT on 6070 - Western Europe & UK via Channel 292.

For outside the listening area please try the Twente/Netherlands Web RX at http://websdr.ewi.utwente.nl:8901/

You can also hear many European free and alternative stations via the Internet at:
http://laut.fm/jukebox

Radio Channel 292 Transmission schedules:
http://www.channel292.de/ schedule-for-bookings/

Radio Mi Amigo Transmission schedules:
http://www.radiomiamigo.es/shortwave

Good Listening! 73s, Tom Taylor, European Music Radio (via Manuel MÈndez, Spain, dxldyg via WORLD OF RADIO 1847, DXLD)

** GOA. INDIA, AIR Panaji, 15175 heard on 23 Sep at good level and only slight fade from 1515 tune to 1601* from Perseus site in Edmonton. The day before (and on many days) the signal here was basically unusable, so decent reception of this Panaji QRG is not a given on WCNA. At my home QTH this station is most often carrier only with very weak (if any) audio (Bruce Churchill, Fallbrook CA, Oct 8, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** GREECE. On Avlis SW 9420, 9935 or 11645 kHz, they are using without any order four different programs: Proton (1st Home Sce); Cozmo; ERA Sport; Voice of Greece.

For example on Oct 4th from 0500 UT, Proton was on MWs Athens Bogianti 729, Corfu Kerkyra 1008, Komotini 1404, Chania Crete 1512 kHz, and with 15 seconds delay on 9420 kHz & under (R Dabanga, PNW/FPU sponsored via Vatican Radio Santa Maria di Galeria, Vatican State bcast station wb.?) on 11645 kHz, From 0600 UT Proton on MW freqs and Voice of Greece on SW (Rumen Pankov, Bulgaria, Oct 8, via wwdxc BC-DX TopNews Oct 11 via DXLD)

Voice of Greece on a single freq 9420 kHz, Oct 7:
0500-0630 on 9420 AVL 170 kW / 323 deg to WeEu Greek*tx#3
no signal on 9935 AVL 100 kW / 285 deg to WeEu Greek tx#1
no signal on 11645 AVL 100 kW / 182 deg to NoAf Greek tx#1
*including news in Serbian, Romanian, Spanish and off at 0630
http://swldxbulgaria.blogspot.bg/2016/10/voice-of-greece-on-single-freq-9420-khz.html
(Ivo Ivanov, QTH: Sofia, Bulgaria, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** GREECE. I was pleasantly surprised to pick up some European broadcasts late afternoon local time. I must admit I'm not across anymore all the best times and frequencies to pick up certain areas of the world via shortwave, and had thought I wouldn't get a chance to hear Europe from Australia this well at that time of day, but it seems it's not that hard, at least with the good solar conditions we have

had in the last few days I think? At the very least I call it DX, as Europe was the intended broadcast area as far as I know and it's being broadcast from there too. Question - would this have likely been a daylight or darkness path, i.e. travelling east or west respectively I wonder?

9420 kHz at 0524 UT 8 Oct 2016
Voice of Greece, transmitting -> Europe
Some sort of talk show? in Greek, SIO 344 [see also ROMANIA]

Both were received whilst walking around Emerald Lake Park (on the outskirts of suburban Melbourne), using a GP-5/SSB handheld receiver and built-in antenna. It seems to be pretty much void of all RFI there yet easily accessible and reception quite strong. Regards, (Steven Zollo, Victoria, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

More likely from the east over darkness path, as I also get them in North America around this time (Glenn to Steven, via DXLD)

Voice of Greece on 9420 and 11645 kHz on Oct 11:
0600-0713 9420 AVL 170 kW / 323 deg WeEu Greek*tx#3
0600-0713 11645 AVL 100 kW / 182 deg NoAf Greek*tx#1, QRM RTTY 11638.4
*including news only in Serbian & all other time in Greek.
All other languages missing today. Off air around 0713 UT.
http://swldxbulgaria.blogspot.bg/2016/10/voice-of-greece-on-9420-and-11645-khz.html
-- 73! (Ivo Ivanov, Sofia, Bulgaria, Sony ICF-2001D 30 m. long wire, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** GUATEMALA. 4055, as I am about to post this report, no time to turn on the radio, but just received from TGAV this notice dated 0407 UT Oct 11. It should normally be on air until about 0610*:

``We ask your pardon to all our listeners of Radio Truth short wave at 4055 kHz. Our signal is irregular right now due to the fact that it is raining, and there is nobody working at Mount Horeb, and we can't do anything to avoid it. There is nobody at Mount Horeb. Every time it rains, our link antenna fails, and there is nobody to correct the situation there. We have not found a person to work there. The situation will be corrected by itself when it stops raining. Our Internet system and Transworld Radio Truth are funtioning normally. Dr. …dgar AmÌlcar Madrid, Manager and Director``

4055, Oct 11 at 0613, R. Truth is still on with music, train bell SFX, not yet NA. Seems OK now, after notice a couple hours earlier that transmissions were irregular due to rain disrupting their studio-transmitter link antenna. Also at 1112, sermon alternating English and Spanish every few words, huge reverb (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING

DIGEST)

** GUINEA. 9650, Radio Guinea, Conakry, *0600-0750, 05-10, open transmission today with Koran songs, French, comments, news, vernacular songs. 34433.

Also *0637-0710, 08-10, French, news and comments. 34433. Also, 0730-0750, 09-10, French, religious program "Le Jour du Seigneur". 34433 (Manuel MÈndez, Lugo, Spain, Logs in Lugo, Sony ICF SW7600G, cable antenna, 8 meters, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

9650. October 8, 2016. 1005-1020, Radio Guinea, Conakri, in vernacular language. Male announcer talks; tribal songs, drums and voices; ID. Radio Guinea, this Saturday, free of interference, good signal and fair modulation, 45433. After 1030 UT, program in French.

DXer: (JosÈ Ronaldo Xavier, Cabedelo-PB, Brazil, Degen DE1103, Antenna: Portable Telescopic, Hard-Core-DX mailing list via DXLD)

9649.98, Oct 8 at 2343, African music maybe in French, fair signal, presumed. R. GuinÈe, Conakry which closes around 2400 (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

At 0835 UT on Oct 09 noted two signals on 9650 kHz. Here in southern Germany, Italy and Spain remote units heard R. GuinÈe, Conakry AHEAD in French language, I guess after morning start on nearly even 9650 kHz the unit wanders few Hertz up, finally a little on upper side on 9650.002 kHz at S=5 or -95dBm signal strength after WeAF fade-out time, and co-channel also V of Korea Kujang in Japanese language on nearly even 9650.0005 kHz (Wolfgang B¸schel, df5sx, wwdxc BC-DX TopNews Oct 9, via dxldyg via DXLD)

** INDIA. Again unscheduled English broadcast of All India Radio Oct 5
0830-1135 on 11620*DEL 250 kW / 334 deg to SoAs Urdu, as scheduled A16
1135-1140 on 11620*DEL 250 kW / 334 deg to SoAs English unscheduled px
* over weak 11620 XIA 500 kW / 073 deg to EaAs Japanese China R Int
http://swldxbulgaria.blogspot.bg/2016/10/again-unscheduled-english-broadcast-of.html
(DX RE MIX NEWS #972 from Georgi Bancov and Ivo Ivanov, October 9, 2016 via DXLD) He has been reporting this unscheduled for many weeks

** INDONESIA. 3325, Oct 10 at 1248, the SSOB at S8-S5 in Indonesian talk, so RRI Palangkaraya; also carrier on low side of 3345-, so RRI Ternate. See also UNIDENTIFIED for many more Asian carriers (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** INDONESIA. 9525a, VoI, 1332-1345 5 Oct. Low modulation and a bit of hum on the audio, but still easily readable with tourist info, ID,

"How to Speak Bahasa Indonesia: Going to the Fish Market", into "Music Corner". 1327-1355 6 Oct. "Miscellany on Indonesia" (29th Annual Tokyo Film Festival), "Music Corner", ID stating 15150/9525/11785 [as if] and "RRI World Service-Voice of Indonesia", plus street/POB address in Jakarta and email/web address (Dan Sheedy, Moonlight Beach, CA, PL380/6m X wire [v.2.0]), DX LISTENING DIGEST)

9525.9, VOI, Oct 12 with anomaly; 1141 in English; 1221 still in English; 1304 normal English segment (news, "Commentary," "Focus," "News in Brief," "Indonesian Wonders," "Let's Speak Bahasa Indonesia," but no "Today in History"); mostly fair and readable, but with audio hum; 1402 still in English (Ron Howard, Calif., dxldyg via WORLD OF RADIO 1847, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** INTERNATIONAL INTERNET. Yahoo shuts off email-forwarding feature, making it harder for users to leave. How this measure will affect Yahoo groups? I receive my groups mail in Gmail from Yahoo mail. Read article at the following link...
http://touch.latimes.com/#section/-1/article/p2p-91677194/
73 de (Horacio Nigro, Montevideo, Uruguay, Oct 10, dxldyg via DXLD)

Yahoo better not make things harder for us. I could not forward as a DXLD yg post a message with an attachment; and for a while, could not attach anything to my yahoo mail, but that came back (gh, DXLD)

** IRAN. 7215, Oct 8 at 0134, very poor yet S7 signal with Qur`an. It`s VIRI, 0030-0230, 500 kW, 289 degrees from Zahedan in Arabic. Would a ham on top of it be taken as an attack upon Islam? (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** IRELAND. RTE has put this statement on its ways to listen page.

``RT… has announced its intention to close the Radio 1 Longwave service broadcasting on 252 kHz in 2017. While this is principally an operational matter for RT…, we are working with a consultative steering group, including the Dept of Foreign Affairs and Trade and representatives of the Irish community in Britain, to explore possible ways forward in the context of maintaining the link with our UK audiences. We do not anticipate any revision of our position without the involvement of the consultative group.``

RT… Radio - Ways to Listen
http://www.rte.ie/radio/page/138471-rte-radio-ways-to-listen/
(via Mike Barraclough, UKOGBANI, Oct 6, BDXC-UK yg via DXLD)

Further to the RTE statement about its intention to close 252 kHz Long Wave in 2017, there was an article in the Irish Post (Oct 10) with reaction from RTE listeners in the UK trying to save the Long Wave

broadcasts:
http://irishpost.co.uk/rte-radios-longwave-252-service-will-axed-2017-despite-campaign-irish-across-britain-save/
(Alan Pennington, Oct 12, BDXC-UK yg via DXLD)

** IRELAND. Pirate radio station moved 304 times! (Sorry, this TV programme on 8 October has come to my attention too late, but does anyone know where a copy could be be downloaded? - Mike)

Meath Chronicle 6 October 2016

Portrait of a Pirate Radio Pioneer is a half-hour film by Jackie Jarvis and produced by Kevin Allen for IRISH TV that documents the fascinating life of a television engineer in rural Co Monaghan who set up the first land-based pirate radio station in Ireland. Sean Mac Quillan works locally in Clones as a supplier of televisions, parts and services and in addition to his love for cobbling together old and disused remnants to fix television sets at minimum cost, he also doubles up as an ëelegant chauffeurí for debutantes to whom he hires out his vintage 1974 Jaguar. As Mac Quillan recounts poignant moments while painting an ordinary life punctuated by extraordinary moments in laid-back tones, it is clear to the viewer that this authentic Irish character retains a steely determination to work solidly below the radar at what he loves in life while being an undisputed driven entrepreneurial pioneer and local treasure.
Article continues at:
Meath Chronicle - Pirate radio station moved 304 times!
http://www.meathchronicle.ie/entertainment/roundup/articles/2016/10/06/4127910-pirate-radio-station-moved-304-times/
(via Mike Terry, dxldyg via DXLD)

The film is available to watch on Vimeo Mike at:
https://vimeo.com/90407094
his pirate radio exploits starts about 11 minutes in.
73, (Alan Pennington, ibid.)

Have just watched the programme and I think he really says they moved the transmitter location ì3 or 4 timesî, which makes more sense than the 304 given in the local paper headline! 73s (Dave Kenny, ibid.)

** ITALY. 7192-LSB, Oct 7 at 0333, I2VRN, Robert in Cremona sounds like a DX-pedition as co-channel pileups are calling him; works YV and numerous US stations, still going at 0404 with AC9NE. Mostly in English with quite an accent, also Italian mixed with Spanish. Recheck at 0513, I2VRN is still there with QSO in Italian (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** ITALY. 7580, Radio Latino, 1732-1801*, 07-10, pop songs, English,

Italian, identification: "Radio Latino", tuning music and close. 24322 (Manuel MÈndez, Lugo, Spain, Logs in Lugo, Sony ICF SW7600G, cable antenna, 8 meters, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Reception of test transmission of Radio Latino, Oct 11:
1732-1842 on 7530 unknown secret tx site to Eu English & It/Sp
http://swldxbulgaria.blogspot.bg/2016/10/reception-of-test-transmission-of-radio.html
-- 73! (Ivo Ivanov, Sofia, Bulgaria, Sony ICF-2001D 30 m. long wire, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** JAPAN. 774, Oct 12 at 1227 from NW, enough signal barely to perceive some YL talk in Japanese intonation: JOUB, NHK-2, Akita. See also UNIDENTIFIED for many more TP JBA carriers (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** KOREA NORTH. At my 1255 start time, the 1566-N.K. Jammer was at a fair level (in and out) without HLAZ, providing a chance to record its 2-second-interval 700 Hz pulsing tone along with a higher frequency tone that pulses along with the lower tone. 1566-HLAZ itself waited until around 1320 to show up here at a weak level, by which time the jammer had already bailed (as usual).

1566 N.K. Jammer All alone at fair level (in and out) without HLAZ at 1256; during peaks two different buzzing tones can be heard every two seconds (headphones recommended)
https://app.box.com/s/4z6y6dt2lorchwev5rqz4d94i5i0rxb0

73 and Good DX, (Gary DeBock (in Puyallup, WA, USA), 7.5" loopstick C. Crane Skywave Ultralight + 15" FSL antenna, Oct 7, IRCA via DXLD)

Puyallup, WA Ultralight TP's for 10-10. At my 1255 start time the N.K. Jammer once again held the frequency with fair audio in and out over an anemic 1566-HLAZ, while the other Korean and Japanese big guns were also fairly subdued. Overall the session was lackluster, and typical of a pretty dreary month so far.

1566 N.K. Jammer Strange buzzing-bee pulser managing fair peaks at 1355 over a very anemic HLAZ (headphones recommended)
https://app.box.com/s/ffi1sdldzitl838rgy5vcazmttkzeeuw

73 and Good DX, (Gary DeBock (in Puyallup, WA, USA), 7.5" loopstick C. Crane Skywave Ultralight + 15" FSL antenna, ibid.)

** KOREA NORTH. On the tail-end of my Friday (8 October) morning (overnight) recording on 11680 kHz for Voice of Hope - Africa, found that KCBS faded in a few minutes before 11:00 UTC with music, announcement, and time pips. Got to a very decent level for 20 minutes

or more before fading back down. Rather nice music; not as strident as in Voice of Korea broadcasts. This signal is ostensibly from a 50 kW transmitter with a non-directional antenna (Richard Langley, NB, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** KOREA NORTH [and non]. The jamming sound like "wuu - wuu-..." siren was heard at 1827-1830 UT on all frequencies of V of Hope / V of People (featuring 4885 kHz), also on 6015, 6135, 6250, 13760, and 15245 kHz on Oct 4 (Rumen Pankov, Bulgaria, via wwdxc BC-DX TopNews Oct 11 via DXLD)

** KOREA NORTH [non]. JAPAN, Reception of Shiokaze Sea Breeze, Oct 6
1405-1435 on 7325*YAM 300 kW / 280 deg to NEAs Japanese Daily
1600-1700 on 6090#YAM 300 kW / 280 deg to NEAs English Thu
*from 1430 on 7325 BEI 500 kW / 165 deg to SEAs Filipino China R Int
co-ch same 6090 GEM 100 kW / 172 deg to EaAs Chinese CNR-2, extended?
http://swldxbulgaria.blogspot.bg/2016/10/reception-of-shiokaze-sea-breeze-oct6.html
(Ivo Ivanov, QTH: Sofia, Bulgaria, dxldyg via WORLD OF RADIO 1847, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Also of note, this morning I heard Shiokaze back on its regular frequency (before changing last July) of 5935 kHz at ~1345z. It doesn't seem to be in any of the schedules I usually look at and a brief search of DXLD seems to have it reported to be 5985 last month. Perhaps this is a new development?

Shiokaze --- 5935, 1340 10 OCT - SHIOKAZE (JAPAN) in KOREAN. SINPO = 35233. Korean. Female announcer calling out a listing of names? With piano music in background. QSB=slow-to-moderate rate, modulation mostly above the noise floor with occasional fades to mixing with it. sf104.6, a5, k2, geomag: quiet. 300 kW, beamAz 290 , bearing 307 . Sangean ATS505 with MFJ-1020C active antenna and MFJ-901B tuner used to preselect 75í of 26-gauge wire loosely thrown over the roof above single story building. Transmitting from Ibaragi-Koga-Yamata, Distance: 8920 km. Received at Las Vegas, United States. Local time: 0640 (Rodney Johnson, NV, dxldyg via WORLD OF RADIO 1847, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

JAPAN, Frequency changes of Shiokaze Sea Breeze, Oct 12
1300-1330 NF 5935 YAM 300 kW / 280 deg to NEAs, ex 5985 Chinese Mon
1300-1330 NF 5935 YAM 300 kW / 280 deg to NEAs, ex 5985 Japanese Tue
1300-1330 NF 5935 YAM 300 kW / 280 deg to NEAs, ex 5985 Korean Wed
1300-1330 NF 5935 YAM 300 kW / 280 deg to NEAs, ex 5985 English Thu
1300-1330 NF 5935 YAM 300 kW / 280 deg to NEAs, ex 5985 Korean Fri
1300-1330 NF 5935 YAM 300 kW / 280 deg to NEAs, ex 5985 Japanese Sat
1300-1330 NF 5935 YAM 300 kW / 280 deg to NEAs, ex 5985 Korean Sun

1330-1400 NF 5935 YAM 300 kW / 280 deg to NEAs, ex 5985 Korean Mon
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1600-1630 NF 5915 YAM 300 kW / 280 deg to NEAs, ex 6090 Chinese Mon
1600-1630 NF 5915 YAM 300 kW / 280 deg to NEAs, ex 6090 Japanese Tue
1600-1630 NF 5915 YAM 300 kW / 280 deg to NEAs, ex 6090 Korean Wed
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1630-1700 NF 5915 YAM 300 kW / 280 deg to NEAs, ex 6090 Korean Sat
1630-1700 NF 5915 YAM 300 kW / 280 deg to NEAs, ex 6090 Japanese Sun
http://swldxbulgaria.blogspot.bg/2016/10/frequency-changes-of-shiokaze-sea.html
-- 73! (Ivo Ivanov, QTH: Sofia, Bulgaria, Oct 12, dxldyg via DXLD)

** KOREA NORTH [non]. TAJIKISTAN, Frequency and time changes of
National Unity Radio via RED Telecom
1200-1500 NF 7520 DB 100 kW / 071 deg to NEAs Korean, ex 13-15 on
11550 from Oct 2
http://swldxbulgaria.blogspot.bg/2016/10/frequency-and-time-changes-of-
national.html
-- 73! (Ivo Ivanov, Sofia, Bulgaria, Sony ICF-2001D 30 m. long wire,
dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** KOREA NORTH & SOUTH. BTW, S. Korea 972 has been booming here into
the southern Owens Valley peaking between 1230-1250 UT most mornings
this month - up to S5 sometimes. Same for N. Korea 657 - a long time
DX station in Marin County and here in the Inyo County, Calif. desert.
73 (Steve McGreevy N6NKS
http://www.auroralchorus.com Natural VLF Radio and Travel Oct 8, DX
LISTENING DIGEST) See RADIO EQUIPMENT FORUM

** KOREA SOUTH. KBS World Radio English Service will carry out test
transmissions Oct 3 to Oct 8 ahead of the B-16 shortwave frequency
adjustment as follows:
to India

1400-1500 9595, Oct 3, QRM RTI Russian on 9590 & RRI German on 9600
1400-1500 9665, Oct 4, co-ch KCBS Pyongyang Korean and CNR5 Chinese
1400-1500 7215, Oct 5, weak to fair signal here in Sofia, Bulgaria.
to Africa
2300-2400 9570, Oct 6, QRM Radio Medi1 Ar/Fr on 9575
2300-2400 9710, Oct 7, co-ch CNR-1 Chinese till 2330
2300-2400 11615, Oct 8, QRM CNR-2 in Chinese on 11610
http://swldxbulgaria.blogspot.bg/2016/10/kbs-world-radio-english-sce-will-carry.html
(DX RE MIX NEWS #972 from Georgi Bancov and Ivo Ivanov, October 9, 2016 via DXLD)

** KOREA SOUTH [non]. 15360, Oct 8 at 1823, poor signal in Russian. Aoki shows it`s KBSWR this hour, relayed via Woofferton UK, 300 kW at 74 degrees (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** KURDISTAN [non]. 11600, Oct 9 at 1357, Denge Kurdistane is S9+10 with flutter during Kurdish talk, better to S9+20 by 1419 but with reverb/echo. Site probably BULGARIA at 13-17 per latest info from Ivo, but known to switch around with PRIDNESTROVYE and FRANCE.

11600, Oct 10 at 1257, Denge Kurdistane with Kurdish music at S9+10, flutter, weaker than 11860 Yemen non. Talking after 1300, 1322 music, 1340 talk. By 1418 this is S9 to S9+10, stronger than 11860, but talking about Kurdistan. I prefer the music! Site presumably BULGARIA during this segment.

11600, Oct 12 at 1326, good Kurdish music, 1327 dead air, 1329 more music, 1330 Denge Kurdistanye ID and Kurdish talk; good signal presumably via BULGARIA (Glenn Hauser, OK, WORLD OF RADIO 1847, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** KYRGYZSTAN. 4819.95, 0125-0135 11.10, Birinchi R, Krasnaya Rechka. Kyrgyz talk, ID: "Birinchi Radio", news about President Putin and Ukraine 35232 // 4010 (45333) AP-DNK (Anker Petersen, Denmark, heard in Skovlunde on my AOR AR7030PLUS with 28 metres of outdoor antenna, wbradio yg via WORLD OF RADIO 1847, DXLD)

Wow, only 50 Hz off frequency: getting there (Glenn Hauser, WORLD OF RADIO 1847, DXLD)

KYRGYZ REPUBLIC, Kyrgyz Radio, Radio Birinchi, Bishkek Krasnaya Rechka noted on 4010.011 and 4819.933 kHz at 0148 UT on Oct 11, on remote units in New Delhi India at S=5-6 signal level, and similar S=5 signal strength in Doha Qatar Middle East unit (Wolfgang B¸schel, WORLD OF RADIO 1847, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** LIBERIA. 6050, Tnx to Wolfyís tip, ELWA heard from Perseus site in

Holland on 8 Oct from 0528 tune with multiple tone IS and then man in vernacular at 0530. Moderate and noisy signal with easy copy at tune in. Apparent highlife vocals at 0533 to past 0600. Signal fading as gray line passing Holland but still audible after 0600. Very weak signal by 0610 (Bruce Churchill, Fallbrook CA, Oct 8, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** MADAGASCAR. 17640, Oct 6 at 1840 check, still AWOL is MWV. Is anyone hearing any of their scheduled broadcasts? If not, why not? (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** MALAYSIA. Observed in October - till 1559 UT two different programs on 9835 & 11665 kHz, at 1600 UT on both in \\ pips, playing the National Anthem and disco songs also \\. Around 1603-1608 UT on 11665 kHz close/down except on Sunday Oct 2nd when was on the air and past 1630 (Rumen Pankov, Bulgaria, Oct 8, via wwdxc BC-DX TopNews Oct 11 via DXLD)

** MEXICO [Re 16-40:] Canal del Congreso is available on all cable systems by federal law, on third-wave SPR transmitters (albeit only if you can handle MPEG-4), and over-the-air on XHHCU, a full-power station in Mexico City (Raymie Humbert, AZ, Oct 6, WTFDA Forum via DXLD)

** MEXICO. The vocal version of the Mexican NA is horrifically militaristic, with cannons and killing and general mayhem glorified in a most disturbing way ñ especially when sung by a children's choir as I've heard on TV s/off time! And *I* thought the Star Spangled Banner was bad. Those who get to hear about 'true patriot love' [CANADA] instead of killing and mayhem in your NA don't know how odd that is -- in a good way. ñkvz (Kenneth Vito Zichi, MI, MARE Tipsheet Oct 7 via DXLD)

** MEXICO. 540, Oct 9 at 1226, promo for Liga Mexicana [bÈisbol?] broadcasts on La Mejor, 90.9 --- so I have managed to get XEHS, 5/2.5 kW, Los Mochis, Sinaloa, past usual XETX in Chihuahua (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** MEXICO. 720, Oct 8 at 1200, XE NA, 1202 Chihuahua SA, 1203 sign-on from XEJCC, 720, mil watts, El FonÛgrafo, street address, then usual inspirational recitation plugging amor and other virtues, ``la noche quedÛ atr·s, un nuevo dÌa``. 1206 over to live DJ with 6:05 TC ``en XEJCC, El FonÛgrafo, 720``, current temp 14, and predicted hi.

I wonder when they plug into feed from 1150 DF parent station, as heard in past with one-hour-plus Central chex. Doing well for 1 kW, owning the channel now. IRCA Log of last year had it as 25 kW day power, but under previous branding as Extremo 720. But WRTH 2016

listed this as 1 kW, also Extremo (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** MEXICO. 820, Oct 8 at 1228, romantic music in Spanish from west, familiarly from XEABCA Mexicali BCN, with hardly any WBAP now (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** MEXICO. 860, Oct 8 at 1217, Spanish talk about car theft rates in different states, 1219 TC for 6+, so in MDT zone, another TC, ``informaciÛn nacional``. Loops SW. Ergo Chihuahua or Sinaloa: more likely XEZOL, Ju·rez, news format, 1000/500 watts, than XENW, Culiac·n, variety format, 1000/250 watts. Anyhow, KKOW not really showing up yet, not even for polka-time circa 1227. Our sunrise today: 1233 UT (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** MEXICO. UNIDENTIFIED. 940, Oct 9 at 1235 UT, right at sunrise here, vocal Spanish music, poor signal roughly SW/NE; YL DJ plugs ``la mejor estaciÛn, siga con nosotros``. NRC AM Log has no likely SS near west of here, nor east. Cant˙, WRTH and IRCA Mexican Log all show nothing between these extremes: XEYJ, Melchor M˙zquiz/Nueva Rosita, Coahuila; and XERLA, Santa RosalÌa, BCS; ruling out XEMMM Mexicali which is oldies in English. Well, XEYJ should be very close to sunrise too (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

For what it's worth, last week at the Border Inn beverage site I listened to XERLA for a few mornings between 1200-1300 UT. They have a new slogan "Radio Surcalifornia" and frequently tag on "la major m˙sica para tus oÌdos" or other similar phrases. They used both male and female announcers between songs, but the "IDs" (slogans) with the additional phrases were generally in a female voice. I can post a short audio clip if you want. Just need to dig it up from my archives. 73 (Tim Hall, ABDX via DXLD)

940, Oct 12 at 1235-1240, continuous Spanish music, from SW, so Santa RosalÌa BCS? As Tim Hall suggests? (GLennHauser, OK, DX LISTENINIG DIGEST)

** MEXICO. 950, XEMAB La Poderosa, Ciudad del Carmen, Campeche. 0902 October 10, 2016. Mexi-tunes, "la FM" and sometimes slogan between Mexi-tunes. Male canned ID 0959 with FM calls, FM power, slogan, AM calls, and concluding with "... Ciudad del Carmen, MÈxico, una seÒal de Radiorama, la cadena une a MÈxico." (Terry L Krueger, Clearwater FL, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** MEXICO. 1010, Oct 8 at 1213, I also have something in Spanish here, worth pursuing among several possibilities in N/W Mexico, if I can get past Amarillo et al. (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** MEXICO. Heard on Tuesday when staying in Wildomar and the Wednesday at home: 1300, XEP, Ciudad Ju·rez, CHIH, 10/5 9:42 PM PDT, songs and "Radio Mexicana" slogan, 10:02 ToH ID mentioned Radiorama. #418 heard (Martin Foltz, Mission Viejo CA, ABDX via DXLD)

I was just listening to a recording of these guys from the beverage site. They're claiming 40 kW now, and they sound like it. 73 (Tim Hall, CA, ibid.)

Yes, they were blasting in. Found their Facebook page and it matches the slogan and Radiorama network (Martin Foltz, ibid.)

Listed *day* power is 38 kW, close enough? Whether or not they really power down at night (and XEP obviously does not, recently reported from NZ), XE stations are loath to announce what their night power really is supposed to be, 200 watts in this case. Blatant violation impacts US stations in CA, CO, TX, OK, NE, at least. 73, (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** MEXICO. 1570, Oct 7 at 1325 UT, Spanish should be KTUZ in Tulza, by now almost an hour after sunrise, but no, it`s still XERF, ``la forma m·s clara de entender las noticias`` slogan for `Antena Radio, Primera EdiciÛn`, the IMER flagship nationwide newscast (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** MEXICO. 1610, XEUACH, R. Chapingo, Chapingo, Edo. Mex. OCT 3, 0112 - Very good signal with regional folk music and "Radio Chapingo" ID's. Station plays a wide range of music - you name it (Mike Beu, KD5DSQ, Austin TX; Drake R8B, terminated Delta antenna (17-ft apex and 28-ft base) northeast, Mini-Flag Antenna (7-ft by 15-ft) southeast, NRC IDXD via DXLD)

And continues to elude me! like the XE 1650 as well (gh, OK)

** MEXICO. RAYMIE`S MEXICO BEAT this week --- [including DTV]

We have some broadcasting news today:
http://www.ift.org.mx/comunicacion-y-medios/comunicados-ift/es/el-ift-prorrogo-la-vigencia-de-15-concesiones-comerciales-de-radiodifusion-sonora-en-am-y-fm

The IFT renewed 15 commercial broadcasting concessions for radio and also

-Allowed for multiprogramming of XHLEG (Guanajuato state network), XHCDC, XHTV and XHRCG
-Authorized Televisa to move three of its four Mexico City stations below channel 38 to XEQ/22, XEW/32, and XHGC/31 (note: no XHTV)

-Approved a transfer of shares in two radio stations. One is in Guadalupe, Nuevo LeÛn (probably an AM), and the other is in San JosÈ de la Sonaja, Gto. (XHBO-FM).

There was also some obscure RPC news. A bunch of shadows in the state of Jalisco were put into the system, the first shutoff-exempt shadows to show up in the RPC with digital auths (there were already a bunch in the FCC query). A clause in the shadows for XHAUM-TDT 38 notes that they will be obligated to move to channel 23 for repacking purposes in the future. This indicates that channels have been allocated for repacking purposes (Raymie Humbert, Phúnix AZ, Oct 10, WTFDA Forum via DXLD)

Some images of Imagen --- two more transmitters made it to air:

Ciudad Victoria
http://i66.tinypic.com/szftp2.jpg

Hermosillo
http://scontent-dft4-1.xx.fbcdn.net/v/t1.0-9/14494777_1810163462529484_7965773673044674101_n.jpg?oh=ea1a089f5e667950dee6706c01a13645&oe=58736F0B

TorreÛn and Puebla also made it to air today.

Here is the list of transmitters not reported on air:

Aguascalientes
Mexicali
La Paz
LeÛn
Acapulco
Chilpancingo
Cuernavaca
Ixmiquilpan-Pachuca
Oaxaca
Canc˙n
Culiac·n
Zacatecas

I do not think I will get reports of sign-on from all these areas. I know nobody on the forums from Chilpancingo, for instance.
Last edited by Raymie; 10-07-2016 at 11:01 PM. (Raymie, Oct 7, ibid.)

The Imagen transmitter count has gone up to 38 with another viewer report:

CIUDAD JU¡REZ, CHIHUAHUA! (Photo via Kevin Quiroz)

http://i.imgur.com/sNRjnWy.jpg

XHCTCJ-TDT 31 ó which I expected delayed slightly due to FCC action ó signed on today, using virtual channel 3 (though it may have to start on 18). This station is so new that it was not on the IFT's books at the start of the week when they released the virtual channel list update! It is a major surprise to see! (TDT-CH was also used as the short name by default when Chihuahua Capital signed on.)

This, along with Tijuana and [REDACTED], are border markets where I have callsigns and suspect some delay is with the FCC.

Elsewhere in Chihuahua, XHABC is now full-time in digital. They've got to be pretty happy there: they're not only in HD, but the gubernatorial candidate they backed (Javier Corral) was just sworn into office (Raymie, Oct 9, ibid.)

Speaking of stations, I've had some rumblings on some of the laggard state networks.

In Oaxaca, reports of XHJZA, the (now on Cerro Palma Sola) transmitter for CORTV, testing on the correct RF channel 41 likely indicate CORTV is close to bringing its stations to air. It has pared down its transmitter list significantly to just 16 (it used to be in the 50s). XHNNT, XHJBH, XHJCE, XHLBA, XHSST, and XHSJP are not in the IFT VC tables and are likely to vanish completely.

Nuevo LeÛn awarded its construction contract to Rohde & Schwarz de MÈxico a month ago.
http://secop.nl.gob.mx/docs/licitaciones/fallos/DGASG-DC-001-2016_LP-FALLO.pdf

The network at highest risk of total failure is Michoac·n,
http://sistemamichoacano.tv/noticias/19-michoacan/10495-con-digitalizacion-smrtv-celebra-32-aniversario
but it looks like they're getting there eventually. They could be on air in digital by the end of the year.
https://www.quadratin.com.mx/sucesos/celebra-sistema-michoacano-32-anos-al-aire/
SMRTV has twelve transmitters.
(Raymie, Oct 10, ibid.)

I have no idea what prompted El Economista to write about this long-running radio station dispute, but --- it's not often you see the name Infored in a news piece from 2016!
http://eleconomista.com.mx/industrias/2016/10/10/que-fue-las-estaciones-que-grc-dio-gutierrez-vivo-monitor
(Raymie, Oct 11, ibid.)

The IFT is behind its own schedule in releasing information about the

IFT-6 bidding process (regional TV). That's not good.
http://mpi-dirsa.com/2016/10/retrasa-ift-publicacion-de-bases-para-tv/
(Raymie, Oct 12, ibid.)

** MONGOLIA. 12034.88, V. of Mongolia, 1052-1055 talk by W in Japanese, same as heard on Brisbane and Japanese Perseus'. Quite weak here though, but still audible. (9 Oct.) (Dave Valko, Dunlo, PA USA, Perseus SDR with Wellbrook ALA 1530S loop antenna and 153 foot Delta Loop, Hard-Core-DX mailing list via DXLD)

12034.875, On Oct 12 at 0940 UT V of Mongolia, from Ulanbataar Khonkhor - Mongolia, in Mongolian language observed S=8 or -77dBm in Brisbane Australia, S=9+5dB or -72dBm in remote Japan SDR units. Scheduled 0900-0928 UT on 178degrees southewards to China and South East Asia. At 0928-1058 UT at 116degrees to the Far East target. (Wolfgang B¸schel, df5sx, wwdxc BC-DX TopNews Oct 12, DX LISTENING DIGEST) See also VANUATU [and non]

** NETHERLANDS [non]. The Mighty KBC October 9, 2016 broadcast is 2 hours. Yes, in memory of John Lennon on his birthday, the Mighty KBC broadcasts 0000-0200 UT, 6145 kHz via Nauen, Germany!

I know we joke a lot and have some risquÈ comedy, however, we do sincerely mourn the passing of Gary Cohen. Listeners of the Mighty KBC have heard Gary on the spots. We've been informed by Gary's sister that Gary was killed in an accident in China. RIP Gary. May you have 55555 reception at your new QTH. 73, (Kraig Krist, dxldyg via DXLD)

Here in the Skipzone of KBC via Nauen [~100 miles) QRM from India by URDU Service. But the MFSK-32-part could be decoded without problems, up to 7 dB SNR, with the sad message.
http://rhci-online.net/radiogram/VoA_Radiogram_2016-10-08.htm#KBC
(roger, germany, Oct 8, dxldyg via DXLD)

** NIGERIA. 15115-15120-15125, Oct 8 at 1820, DRM noise, no doubt Voice of Nigeria, scheduled in English at 1800-2000, but seldom reported lately; has it really been on? I also detect a JBA AM carrier amid at about 15121; nothing else scheduled now: could it be the other VON site competing with the DRM site?? (Glenn Hauser, OK, WORLD OF RADIO 1847, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

It was more regular in the past one or two months than it used to be before. But it's only 1800-1930, Fulfulde service starts at 1930 or a few minutes before, this being cut off sooner or later. Of course Africalist always, eeeh... usually has the correct schedule:
http://www.muenster.org/uwz/ms-alt/africalist/ ;-)
(Thorsten Hallmann, Germany, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** NIGERIA [non]. Radio Dandal Kura Int via BaBcoCk Ascension & Woofferton, Oct 10
0500-0700 7415 ASC 250 kW / 070 deg WeAf Kanuri, weak to fair signal
0700-0800 15480 WOF 250 kW / 165 deg WeAf Kanuri, very strong signal:
http://swldxbulgaria.blogspot.bg/2016/10/radio-dandal-kura-int-via-babcock_10.html
-- 73! (Ivo Ivanov, Sofia, Bulgaria, Sony ICF-2001D 30 m. long wire, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** NORTH AMERICA. 6950.0-USB, Oct 8 at 2348, big band music at S9: bet it`s Wolverine Radio: yes, such an ID interjected at 0010.5 October 9 (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** NORTH AMERICA. I.M.H.O. The occasional ranting and raving of your editor!

What is the current state of shortwave pirate radio in North America these days? The last bust of an American shortwave pirate was in August of 2015 which was performed by the Detroit, Michigan FCC field office. They visited the location of a Crystal Ship transmission. It was not the same location where they were busted before, as The Poet was operating from a friendís house much to the chagrin of the field agent. It is understood that one of the agents at the Detroit office is an avid pirate DXer and he enjoys hunting down and busting pirates, such as Radio Ronin in Ohio a few years ago.

Stations have been operating pretty much as they choose these days. The station currently operating on 5150 kHz, AM mode, unofficially called ìthe Relay Stationî, seems to be on the air daily and for hours at a time. He often relays Newport [RI?] Pirate Radio and other streams such Radio Free Whatever and Radio Azteca.

Also, the station on 6770 kHz, called ìOld Time Radio stationî, because it airs old radio soaps and detective shows, has been on the air for a couple of years, although not heard recently.

I think itís safe to say that these sorts of operations would not have been tolerated just a few years ago. One has to assume the FCC is aware of these stations, Iím sure, and knows where they are located via their monitoring and direction finding equipment, but do not have the resources or ìordersî from above, to visit them.

For the pirate radio listener, this is a good thing. More stations on more often, although even with the relaxed attitude of the FCC there hasnít been a huge influx of new pirates. Of course some pirates operate for the thrill of doing something illegal and if they think the Feds arenít trying to hunt them down, it takes away some of the excitement.

Another negative factor has been the rotten propagation conditions over the summer with very low solar activity, rendering the 43 meter pirate band fairly useless for days at a time. Winter conditions are starting to make a comeback, so conditions will start to improve. Be sure to tune in late afternoons around 2100 and later for the most activity until the band goes long later in the evening.

What will the future hold? Will the FCC decide to make an example of one or more of these stations? Only time will tell.

Halloween! Donít forget, one of the largest, most popular pirate holidays is coming up at the end of this month so keep tuned for those witch cackles, tolling bells and moaning ghosts. Also, the Columbus Day weekend, which is also Canadian Thanksgiving, is almost here. The pirate Radio Paisano, has been a regular for the past few years. Happy hunting! (Chris Lobdell, Free Radio Scene, Oct CIDX Messenger via DXLD)

** NORWAY. LLE3/R Northern Star, 5885 kHz USB. Norwegian language programme. E-QSL email in one day for email report including two mp3 clips to 1000@northernstar.no Very nice e-mail reply as follows:

"Dear Alan, Thanks so much for your interesting reception report! This is highly appreciated! Congratulations on a fine catch! This is absolutely us. That means youíve heard LLE-3 5895 kHz, 50.86 metres in the 49 m SW band. Please take this letter as our QSL.

LLE-3, 5895 kHz, 100 watts USB 50 watt AM, Yaesu FT-950-tx. Antenna: Inverted V. (Different from the 1611 kHz antenna.)

This site was formerly used by the NRK for National and Regional broadcasting over LKB on 890 kHz, and local broadcasting over LLE, 1115 kHz. It now houses some refurbished vintage MW, SW and FM transmitters plus others we hope to put on the air later.
We confirm your reception. This transmitter partly relays
http://www.bergenkringkaster.nu
and partly
http://www.northernstar.cc

Our program schedule:
http://www.bergenkringkaster.nu/programoversikt_lkb_lle.pdf

The clippings you heard are from ´Radiodagerª (Radio Days) in the Bergen Kringkaster (Bergen Broadcasting) version running each day. And the first is the ´Bergen anthemª (Bergensiana), from one of the commemorative programs we run about the site.

There is also one on Radio Northern Star, but only once a week there,

Suns 2200-2400 CET. I think the second clip is from a program we run either from or about the story of Radio Mercur. Please publish your reception and our information on as many boards and lists as possible! Further signal reports are welcomed. 73s and Good DX!" (Alan Roe, UK, Oct CIDX Messenger via DXLD) Alan says, ìI was very happy to log this one and get the QSLî (Mick Delmage, QSL editor, ibid.)

** NORWAY. NORWAYíS PATH TO DSO: 100 DAYS TO GO
Eureka! October 3, 2016

With just 100 days to go until Norway starts its digital switchover, Digital Radio Norway has presented a report to Culture Committee Chairman Svein Harberg detailing progress so far and the challenges that remain.

Adoption has been impressive, with 7 out of 10 Norwegian households owning at least one digital radio and 2.1 million Norwegians listening each week to stations that would not exist without the move to digital.

60% of people say that will only upgrade their car to digital radio once the switchover starts, with just 30% of people already converted to DAB in the car. This is a similar response to the switchover for digital television, but means that there is still work to do, particularly for cars requiring aftermarket products.

NRK now has DAB coverage of 99.7% across the country, with multiple tests confirming the coverage maps available on http://radio.no/ Despite this, a large number of questions from the public have concerned DAB reception in areas where coverage is listed as good.

As a result, Digital Radio Norway and its partners will be working on providing more information to consumers on how best to use digital radio and the differences with older FM models. For example, helping to install in-car antennas correctly and the need to re-tune receivers when they move to a different region.

Overall the report shows that the majority of listeners are ëpreparedí for the upcoming switchover, though there is still work to do in helping people get the most out of their new receivers. Prepared in collaboration between Digitalradio Norway, Lasse Gimnes and Bjarne Hareide, the report is available to download here.

WorldDAB will be posting regular updates in the build-up to Norwayís digital switchover, with more information available on the Norway country page. Last month we published an interview with J¯rn Jensen, Chief Advisor to the Director of Distribution at NRK Norway which you can read here:

https://worlddabeureka.org/2016/08/22/ibc-preview-norways-path-to-dso/
https://worlddabeureka.org/2016/10/03/norways-path-to-dso-100-days-to-go/
(via Mike Terry, Oct 11, dxldyg via DXLD)

Does this also affect the 153 kHz outlet in Ingoy? (hope not!) (Greg Hardison, CA, ibid.)

There are currently no plans to switch off Ing¯y 153 kHz (Bjarne Mjelde, arcticdx.blogspot.com ibid.)

** OKLAHOMA. 930, Oct 7 at 1248 UT, WKY OKC with regular hiccuping, about 48 times per minute. Affects whatever Spanish is being modulated, so rather than audio dropouts, the transmitter itself is doing this, and with BFO it does seem to be ICDs --- intermittent carrier dropouts. WKY is in a sorry state (Glenn Hauser, Enid, DX LISTENING DIGEST) Later: ha! I just realized that can be taken more than one way --- and should be.

930, Oct 9 at 1235 UT, WKY OKC still with ICDs interrupting music for instants. Are local listeners putting up with this? (Glenn Hauser, Enid, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** OKLAHOMA. 1330 & 1450, Oct 7 at 1307, weak hets slightly off-frequencies and varying slightly against legit 1330.0 and 1450.0 stations; obviously the second-order spurs out of local 1390 KCRC, toward which they loop, plus and minus ~60 kHz, beyond the much stronger first-order ones which also carry KCRC modulation circa 1360 and 1420, only ~30 kHz away (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** OMAN. 11650, Oct 11 at 0046, S3-S5 signal with Qur`an by a tenor, surely not a soprano, so presumably R. Sultanate of Oman is again on this unscheduled frequency overnight (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Reception of Radio Sultanate of Oman, Oct 12
1400-1430 15140 THU 100 kW / 315 deg to WeEu English, low modulation
1430-1500 15140 THU 100 kW / 315 deg to WeEu big transmitter problem
from 1500 15140 THU 100 kW / 315 deg to WeEu Arabic, good modulation
http://swldxbulgaria.blogspot.bg/2016/10/reception-of-radio-sultanate-of-oman.html
-- 73! (Ivo Ivanov, QTH: Sofia, Bulgaria, Oct 12, dxldyg via DXLD)

** PAKISTAN. You may soon see some Pakistan registrations appearing in the list, but what transmitters will be used on them is in some doubt. All I hear are occasional broadcasts on 15730 between 0500 and 0700 UT, and even this is very weak here. They never register the frequency that's being used for the clandestine transmission to Kashmir - 7265 I think (Noel R Green, Blackpool UK, Oct 8, WORLD OF RADIO 1847, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

It didn't take PAK very long to register their request frequencies, but the question remains, will we hear any broadcasts? There was some information received (NOT FROM RP) that they were working on getting the "new" transmitters at Karachi on the air, but nothing seems to have happened so far. As far as I know, there are SW broadcasts now and then on 15730 at 0500-0700 UT, and this is NOT broadcasting with either 100 or 250 kW (unless they use a "temporary" antenna) as the signal is usually weak here. And also on 7265, from I don't know where, broadcasting to Kashmir (Noel Green, NW England, Oct 11, WORLD OF RADIO 1847, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** PAPUA NEW GUINEA. 3260, NBC Madang, 1203*, Oct 12. Did not complete the "NBC News in Brief"; poor.

3275, NBC Southern Highlands (presumed), 1203, Oct 12. Just an open carrier here, but below threshold level, so no audio; still on the air at 1236 [WORLD OF RADIO 1847]

[non-log] 7324.95 Wantok Radio Light. Oct 12 checking at 1235 only to find the frequency completely clear; so CRI (7325.0) is also silent at this time (Ron Howard, Calif., dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

3274.990, NBC Southern Highlands. First noted at 0949, found on the Brisbane Perseus. // 3260 at 0953 with English news. Weaker than 3260 Madang. Broke away from 3260 at 1001, had what was probably an ID promo but I couldn't copy, then played an updated version of the native music with birdcall (a short fanfare substituted for the native music) signature, then into more NBC news. 1018 mention of "NBC Radio".

Also noted here in PA right at threshold audio level in the 1100-1130 time frame. Sounded like M talking at 1131 as heard on the Brisbane Perseus. Nice to see this one back on!! (7 Oct.) 73 (Dave Valko, Dunlo, PA USA, Perseus, Wellbrook ALA1530S and 153 triangular Delta Loop and Perseus net receivers, Hard-Core-DX mailing list via WORLD OF RADIO 1847, DXLD)

** PERU [and non]. 5024.93, R. Quillabamba. Noticed 5025 Rebelde had just an OC at 0944 which continued. Quillabamba's carrier popped on 5024.94 at 0952 but had deadair as well (at least I couldn't detect any) until Rebelde's audio came up at 1035. Actually Rebelde went off the air completely for 5 seconds at 1035 before coming back on with audio. In those 5 seconds when the Quillabamba signal was in the clear, I still didn't hear any audio. (12 Oct.) 73 (Dave Valko, Dunlo, PA, Perseus SDR, Wellbrook ALA1530S and 153 foot Delta Loop, Hard-Core-DX mailing list via DXLD)

** PERU. 5980, Oct 11 at 0059, JBA carrier with splash from 5985 WRMI adding up to S7, R. Chaski, Urubamba, until autocutoff at 0101:07*, which is exactly 1 minute later than last check 9 days ago, Oct 2 until 0100:07*, or 6.666+ seconds later per noctem (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** PHILIPPINES. 15190, PBS/R. Pilipinas, 1905 feature by M and W program hosts in Tagalog. Pop music on return at 1924. 1928 canned R. Pilipinas/V. of the Philippines ID and sked announcement by M, short choral NA, a little deadair, then signal off at 1930:04. Donít recall ever hearing the Philippine NA here before. (7 Oct.) (Dave Valko, Dunlo, PA USA, Perseus SDR with Wellbrook ALA 1530S loop antenna and 153 foot Delta Loop, micro-DXpedition, Hard-Core-DX mailing list via DXLD)

** ROMANIA. [Cf GREECE] 9620 kHz at 0550 UT 8 Oct 2016
Radio Romania International, transmitting -> Europe
Station ID at 0550 Broadcasting in English a religious / historical programme til end of transmission at 0555, SIO 444

Question - would this have likely been a daylight or darkness path, i.e. travelling east or west respectively I wonder? Received whilst walking around Emerald Lake Park (on the outskirts of suburban Melbourne), using a GP-5/SSB handheld receiver and built-in antenna. It seems to be pretty much void of all RFI there yet easily accessible and reception quite strong. Regards, (Steven Zollo, Victoria, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

More likely from the east over darkness path, as I also get them in North America around this time (Glenn to Steven, via DXLD)

** ROMANIA. DIA DEL OYENTE 2016 DE RADIO RUMANIA INTERNACIONAL

Queridos amigos, El prÛximo 6 de noviembre les esperamos en Radio RumanÌa Internacional para celebrar el ´DÌa del Oyente 2016ª. Como de costumbre, tambiÈn en esta ediciÛn les invitamos a participar de manera activa envi·ndonos una contribuciÛn personal para nuestro programa especial que se realizar· en base a sus respuestas. Esta vez les invitamos a responder a la pregunta:

øDÛnde viven las personas m·s felices?

Evidentemente hay clasificaciones anuales sobre los paÌses m·s felices o sobre las ciudades con mejor calidad de vida realizadas en base a unos criterios como la generosidad, las relaciones sociales, la libertad percibida para tomar decisiones de vida, la esperanza de vida saludable, el sistema sanitario, la cultura o la infraestructura. Pero

øes verdad que las personas m·s felices viven en los paÌses o las ciudades mencionadas en esas clasificaciones? O øacaso la felicidad depende de tantos factores individuales que la respuesta tiene que ser tambiÈn individual? Nosotros les invitamos a decirnos su opiniÛn. øDÛnde creen ustedes que viven la mayorÌa de las personas m·s felices y contentas? øCu·les son los ´ingredientesª que les hacen sentir bien en un lugar?

Esperamos sus respuestas, por escrito, a la direcciÛn de correo electrÛnico :span@rri.ro, por fax al n˙mero: 00.40.21.319. 05.62 o mediante una carta. Nuestras seÒas son: Radio RumanÌa Internacional, calle General Berthelot no. 60-64, sector 1, Bucarest, apartado de correos 111, cÛdigo 010165. TambiÈn estamos en Facebook: Radio RumanÌa Internacional. °MuchÌsimas gracias! Victoria Sepciu (via JosÈ Bueno, Oct 12, condiglista yg via DXLD)

** ROMANIA. B16 ROU RRO Winter B-16 schedule of Radio Romania International, 30 Oct 2016 - 26 March 2017

ARABIC	0730-0756	9610G	11660G	15330T	17810T	
	1300-1326	9610T	11945G	15400T	15460G	17810T
	1630-1656	9585T	9610G	11760T	11975G	
AROMANIAN	1530-1556	5955S				
	1730-1756	5955S				
	1930-1956	5955S				
CHINESE	0500-0526	15220T	13730T-DRM			
	1330-1356	9610T	11825T			
ENGLISH	0100-0156	5960G	7325G			
	0400-0456	6020G	7340G	11790G	13730T	
	0630-0656	7345T	9770G-DRM	15450T-DRM	17780G	
	1200-1256	13580T	15150G	15460T	17765G	
	1800-1856	5935T	7350T-DRM			
	2130-2156	6030G-DRM	6170T	7310T	7375G	
	2300-2356	6015G	7220G	7325T	9620T	
FRENCH	0200-0256	5960G	7410G			
	0600-0626	6040G-DRM	7360G	9770T	11790T	
	1100-1156	15255G	15430T	17640T	17870G	
	1700-1756	5935T-DRM	7230T			
	2100-2126	6030G-DRM	7375G			
GERMAN	0700-0726	7345T	9770T-DRM			
	1500-1556	6040T	7330T			
	1900-1956	5910T	7425T-DRM			

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ITALIAN   1500-1526  5955S
          1700-1726  5955S
          1900-1926  5955S-DRM

ROMANIAN  0100-0256  5910T  7340T
          0500-0556  6145G  7220G
          0800-0856 15370T 15430G Suns only "Curierul romanesc"
                    17850G 17860T
          0900-0956 15380G 15430T Suns only "Curierul romanesc"
                    17745G 17775T
          1000-1056 15260G 15430T Suns only "Curierul romanesc"
                    17640T 17870G
          1300-1356  9880S Saftica transmission opens earlier
          1400-1556 11975G 15310G
          1700-1756  7375G  9790G
          1800-2056  5990G  7375G
RUSSIAN   0530-0556  5940T-DRM  7330T
          1400-1456  9880T 11985T
          1600-1626  6030T-DRM  9800T
SERBIAN   1630-1656  5955S
          1830-1856  5955S
          2030-2056  6030S
SPANISH   0000-0056  7335G  9610G 11800T 13730T
          0300-0356  7345G  9480G 11800T 13730T
          2000-2056  7235T  9610T
          2200-2256 11800T 13730T
UKRAINIAN 1600-1626  5955S
          1800-1826  5955S
          2000-2026  6030S
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G=Galbeni 2 x 300 kW, T = Tsiganeshti 3 x 300 kW; DRM Mode 90 kW.
Surrounding countries S=Saftica 1 x 100 kW, DRM mode 40 kW (Wolfgang B¸schel, df5sx, wwdxc BC-DX TopNews Oct 5, 2016 via DXLD)

** RUSSIA. Poor signal of Adygeyan Radio on Oct 7
1800-1900 on 6000 ARM 100 kW / 188 deg to CeAs Adygeyan Fri
http://swldxbulgaria.blogspot.bg/2016/10/poor-signal-of-adygeyan-radio-on-oct7.html
(DX RE MIX NEWS #972 from Georgi Bancov and Ivo Ivanov, October 9, 2016 via DXLD)

** RUSSIA. AVIA Long-distance communication on SW.
6 part. Range 8000 - 11000 kHz.
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Frequency (kHz) Radiotelephony; type of radiation - SSB.
8095 (day) RDARA connection between major airports in the CIS. 1,2,3,4 Radio Network
8145 RDARA Dushanbe (0100-1600 UT)

8815 - 9040 kHz
(8815 - 8965 kHz civil aviation)
(8965 - 9040 kHz military aircraft)
8840 RDARA Moscow
8897 MWARA Irkutsk
8898 Military board
8915 MWARA Khabarovsk
8918 MWARA Baku, Yerevan, Tbilisi
8924 LDOC Aeroflot Moscow, Khabarovsk
8942 MWARA Irkutsk
8951 (day) MWARA channel Aircraft (Middle Eastern) - Call Sign open.
Aktyubinsk, Almaty, Aralsk, Aturay, Aktau, Ashgabat, Bishkek,
Dzhezkazgan, Dushanbe, Yerevan, Kyzyl-Orda, Nuku, Samara, Samarkand,
Simferopol, Tashkent, Tbilisi, Uralsk, Khabarovsk
8976 RDARA Chisinau
8917 Air Traffic Control p / communications flight plans
9024 (used in summer) RDARA Aircraft Channel (north-west).
Arkhangelsk, Great Luke, Vologda, Murmansk, Petrozavodsk, St.
Petersburg
9255 Air Traffic Control p / communications GA ("Arbat", "Melodiya-2",
"Zadorny", "Yarok" "Spore", "Amba", "Ogurchik", "Ubezhishche") Radio
Network 1,2,3,4
9872 RDARA (´Yarok", "Ogurchik")
9955 RDARA Dushanbe
10005 - 10100 kHz (civil aviation)
10009 RDARA Dushanbe, Tashkent
10018 MWARA Almaty, Ashgabat, Bishkek, Dushanbe, Yerevan, Samarkand,
Simferopol, Tashkent
10024 RDARA Yuzhno-Sakhalinsk
10025 Moskva
10030 LDOC Aeroflot Moscow, Tashkent, Khabarovsk
10039 (day) MWARA Irkutsk, Kirensk, Petropavlovsk-Kamchatka,
Khabarovsk, Chita, Chulman, Ekimchan, Yuzhno-Sakhalinsk (1 April - 1
October)
10042 MWARA Irkutsk, Khabarovsk
10048 MWARA Khabarovsk
10084 MWARA Arkhangelsk, Great Luke, Vologda, Kiev, Lvov, Minsk,
Moscow, Murmansk, Odessa, St. Petersburg, Simferopol and Syktyvkar
10089 (day) RDARA Yekaterinburg [Koltsovo], Sverdlovsk
10096 MWARA Barnaul, Yeniseysk, Irkutsk, Kirensk, Kolpashevo,
Krasnoyarsk, Novosibirsk, Stony, Surgut, Khanty-Mansiysk
http://dxing.ru/forum.html?func=view&catid=23&id=10598&limit=8&start=24#35427
(Continued in the next issue)(RusDX Oct 10 via DXLD)

** SOLOMON ISLANDS. 5020, Wantok FM relay via SIBC, 1204, Oct 12.
Playing the usual pop songs (Air Supply with "Even The Nights Are
Better," etc.); frequent IDs ("This is Wantok FM 96.3. Good times,
great music," etc.); off the air for several minutes about 1222; still

broadcasting at 1303.

UNID on 5020, with open carrier here today at 1436. Hiroyuki Komatsubara (Japan) has also been hearing this; the open carrier (no audio) is much weaker than SIBC is normally heard (Ron Howard, Calif., dxldyg via WORLD OF RADIO 1847, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** SOMALIA. Some of the others quickly observed tonight around 1800: 7750 Warsan Radio still there, 73 (Thorsten Hallmann, Germany, Oct 10, dxldyg via WORLD OF RADIO 1847, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** SOMALILAND. 7120, SOMALIA, R. Hargeisa. Nothing by 0320 tune/out, but the signal was there at 0326 recheck. Could just barely hear music at 0328 and talk by M at 0330 but it was just totally impossible. They can't be modulating at more than 5%. (12 Oct.) 73 (Dave Valko, Dunlo, PA, Perseus SDR, Wellbrook ALA1530S and 153 foot Delta Loop, Hard-Core-DX mailing list via WORLD OF RADIO 1847, DXLD)

I must agree, hardly any mod but carrier usually c. 0330 (gh, ibid.)

** SOUTH CAROLINA [non]. 17790, Oct 7 at 1913, WRMI has recovered electric fluid, but this one BS frequency is still AWOL (more under WRMI logs).

[non non] 17765, meanwhile, Oct 7 at 1914, BS via WHRI is S9+45 and splattering from 17740 to 17785. Fortunately for KVOH it`s already off 17775 this Friday, but would be hit before 1900 (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

7730, Oct 8 at 0619 tuneby WRMI, Brother HyStairical is commenting that despite mandatory evacuation order [Hurricane Matthew, flooding], he is ``not going``, and further ruminates that ``Everything I`ve done is in vain`` --- admittedly out of context, but I`ll say! An 85-year life totally wasted along with everyone he hoodwinked/persuaded to his sicko/psycho pessimisic worldview.

7355, Oct 8 at 0621, another BS frequency, this one WHRI, accompanied by modulation squeals, sign of an ailing transmitter we have also heard on some other stations, but never WRMI (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

13695, Oct 8 at 1838, Brother Scare via WRMI is talking about staying on 12 WRMI transmitters if station has survived Matthew, as he hopes, having ``rebuked`` the storm and winds on behalf of WRMI, like Jesus allegedly did about some such threat. Complains of a false prophet from the west coast bothering him, trying to supplant R. G., overcome his ministry.

Apparently a playback now, referring to conditions ``tonight`` and later to Thursday night. Says the Compound is 50 miles west of Charleston, and he is ``not going anywhere``, despite evacuation order that far inland. Well, by Saturday, the hurricane has moved on, leaving flooding and other destruxion in SC.

Note to self: must *rebuke* stuff, as it seems to be so effective.

On another segment BS was begging already for another megabuck donor to cover broadcast costs in 2017, to be renegotiated with stations in December. This is obviously a lifeline, especially for WRMI, so sure hope Jeff has a contingency plan when 85-year-old BS imminently goes to his alleged post-mortem reward (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** SUDAN SOUTH [non]. FRANCE, Strong signal of Eye Radio via TDF Issoudun, Oct 7:
1600-1622 on 17730 ISS 250 kW / 130 deg to EaAf Arabic
1622-1647 on 17730 ISS 250 kW / 130 deg to EaAf English
1647-1700 on 17730 ISS 250 kW / 130 deg to EaAf Various
http://swldxbulgaria.blogspot.bg/2016/10/strong-signal-of-eye-radio-via-tdf.html
(DX RE MIX NEWS #972 from Georgi Bancov and Ivo Ivanov, October 9, 2016 via DXLD) So English segment usually somewhere in middle? (gh)

** SWEDEN. SAQ not able to transmit? I enjoy listening to the transmissions using the Alexanderson Alternator from Grimeton on 17.2 kHz. The next scheduled one is on United Nations Day, Monday 24th October. However I have received this news from Lars KÂlland. Let us hope they can repair the damage, if not for UN day, then for their traditional Christmas Eve message. 73 (Andrew Brade, UK, Oct 8, MWCircle yg via WORLD OF RADIO 1847, DXLD) Viz.:

From: Lars Kalland [mailto:lars.kalland@telia.com]
Sent: 08 October 2016 09:11
Subject: SAQ not able to transmit?

Hello Andrew. About Oct 24: In early October, a fire occurred on the long wave antenna. This was probably due to a breakdown voltage in connection with a weakening on an isolator. The fire was quickly extinguished thanks to the good work of the rescue service and no one was harmed.

Foundation World Heritage Grimeton, owner and manager of the radio station, is investigating the extent of the damage and means to begin the repairation work as soon as possible. This process will however take time. There is a risk that the incident will affect the planned transmissions with the long-wave transmitter SAQ for some time to

come. More information regarding this matter will be presented on the World Heritage Grimetonís and Society Alexanderís websites.
Rgds Lars/SM6NM (via Andrew Brade, ibid.)

** TAIWAN. 12800, Sound of Hope Radio International, 1200 to 1205. A tentative ID via the Internet [sic], Chinese, a terrible signal, no SINFO was recorded, I heard a song, the Racal 6790 and the 42í Windom antenna. 10/2 (John Davis, Our listening post is located northeast of Columbus, Ohio in the USA, NASWA Flashsheet via DXLD)

Your first choice of a tentative on an SOH frequency, without any evidence to the contrary, should be that you are getting a CNR1 (or Firedragon) jammer, rather than SOH; as I have tried to explain repeatedly (Glenn Hauser, DXLD)

** TAJIKISTAN. 4790, BBC Uzbek, 1328-1330*, Oct 12. Another day with no CNR1 programming jamming; poor/CODAR QRM; off after time pips (Ron Howard, Calif., dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** TAJIKISTAN. 7245. October 6, 2016. 0225-0245, Voice of Tajik, Dushanbe, in Tajik. Songs, many Tajik songs. man announcer talks. Woman announcer talks. Broadcasting with poor signal and barely audible audio, 25431 (sometimes, 25432). Parallel log on 7244.90 kHz, Twente webSDR, confirmed this log (DXer: JosÈ Ronaldo Xavier (JRX), Cabedelo-PB, Brazil, Degen DE1103 + Tecsun S-2000, Antenna: Portable Telescopic, Hard-Core-DX mailing list via DXLD) ?? you mean exact?

** TASMANIA [non]. Hobart Radio International This Weekend
Saturdays 11580, 2030-2100, 2330-0000 [WRMI]
Sundays 15770, 2100-2130 [WRMI]
Sundays 9955, 0330-0400 [WRMI]
Mondays 5130, 0330-0400 [WBCQ Area 51]
Tuesdays 9955, 2230-2300 [WRMI]

We may be off-air this weekend as WRMI braces for Hurricane Matthew. Announcement: From the beginning of November (B16) we will commence fortnightly transmissions on Channel 292 6070 kHz [GERMANY], but will cease WRMI 11580 and 15770 kHz. WRMI on 9955 will remain (Rob Wise, HRI, Oct 6, shortwave yg via DXLD)

** THAILAND [non?]. 15565, Oct 11 at 0034, S4 signal with heavy Doppler flutter. Scheduled this hour only is VOA Chinese at 30 degrees from Udorn, but I may well be hearing the CNR1 ChiCom jammer instead, as even this is a lot more signal than I am getting from R. Thailand`s so-called North American service on nearby 15590 at 38 degrees from same site (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** TIBET [non]. 9855.0, Oct 11 at 0048, very poor S4-S5 talk in

Chinese? Scheduled this hour only is VOA Tibetan via KUWAIT, and could well be hearing the CNR1 ChiCom jammer instead (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** TIMOR EAST. RADIO MAUBERE: THE SECRET LINK BETWEEN OCCUPIED EAST TIMOR AND THE OUTSIDE WORLD --- Interesting article on "pirate" radio during a late 20th century Pacific conflict:

How Radio Maubere connected occupied East Timor to the world
http://www.abc.net.au/news/2016-10-12/radio-maubere-secret-link-connecting-darwin-to-east-timor/7918804
(Gavinandlouise, Oct 12, BDXC-UK yg via DXLD)

** TURKEY. Winter B-16 schedule for Voice of Turkey
Shortwave Broadcasting Schedule of VOT
between 30 October 2016 - 26 March 2017

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11955 1000-1100 37N,38N,39,40  500 210 216 Ara       TUR TRT
 9665 1500-1600 38E,39,40W     250 150 205 Ara       TUR TRT
15200 1500-1600 37,38W,46      500 252 211 Ara       TUR TRT
11835 0800-0900 29SE,40NW      250  72 211 Azeri     TUR TRT
 5965 1630-1730 29,39,40,41    500  90 205 Azeri     TUR TRT
 7245 1200-1230 28S            250 290 210 Bulg      TUR TRT
17755 1230-1330 28             500 310 215 Deu       TUR TRT
 7205 1830-1930 28             250 310 205 Deu       TUR TRT

 7240 0400-0500 38E,39,40W     500 138 215 Eng       TUR TRT
 9655 0400-0500 3-9,17 18 2728 500 335 215 Eng       TUR TRT
12035 1330-1430 18S,27,28W     500 310 205 Eng       TUR TRT
11730 1730-1830 30S,40E,41,49  500 105 215 Eng       TUR TRT
 6050 1930-2030 27,28W         250 290 210 Eng       TUR TRT
 9610 2130-2230 39-41,49545558 500 105 219 Eng       TUR TRT
 5960 2300-2400 5,8,9,11,17,18 500 310 215 Eng       TUR TRT
[English only: WORLD OF RADIO 1847]

11795 0930-1100 39N,40NW       500 105 205 Persian   TUR TRT
 9530 1600-1700 30S,40         500 105 205 Persian   TUR TRT
 9620 1830-1930 38,47,48       500 180 216 French    TUR TRT
 5970 2030-2130 27,28W         500 290 210 French    TUR TRT
 6050 2030-2130 37,38,46       500 247 205 French    TUR TRT
 6185 1500-1530 28S            500 290 210 Italian   TUR TRT
 9840 1100-1200 29S            250  72 211 Georgian  TUR TRT
 9785 1430-1500 29E,30,31,42NW 500  62 211 Kazakh    TUR TRT
11680 1600-1730 30S,40N        250  92 211 DariPashtoTUR TRT
 9410 1400-1500 19-22,29,30N   250  20 205 Rus       TUR TRT
 9410 0200-0300 12,13-15,16,37 500 252 219 Spa       TUR TRT
 9650 0200-0300 8,10-12,27,37  500 290 219 Spa       TUR TRT
 9495 1730-1830 27S,28,37      250 270 210 Spa       TUR TRT
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15360	1100-1130	19,20,29,30	500	32	215	Tatar	TUR TRT
11965	1300-1330	30S,40N	250	72	211	Turkmen	TUR TRT
6000	0100-0300	30,40,42	500	72	205	Tur	TUR TRT
9700	0500-0700	18S,27,28	500	310	215	Tur	TUR TRT
9820	0500-0700	39	250	138	215	Tur	TUR TRT
11925	0700-1000	29SE,39NE,40NW	500	97	205	Tur	TUR TRT
15480	0700-1300	38E,39,40W	500	120	205	Tur	TUR TRT
15350	0700-1400	27,28	500	310	205	Tur	TUR TRT
11815	1400-1700	27,28	250	300	205	Tur	TUR TRT
5980	1700-2200	27,28	250	310	215	Tur	TUR TRT
6120	1700-2200	38E,39,40W	500	150	205	Tur	TUR TRT
9460	0300-0400	42	500	72	211	Uighur	TUR TRT
13685	1330-1430	42,43	500	72	205	Uighur	TUR TRT
11985	1300-1400	40,41N	500	92	211	Urdu	TUR TRT
13655	1130-1200	30	500	72	211	Uzbek	TUR TRT
12045	1200-1300	42-44	500	72	217	Chinese	TUR TRT

(HFCC database, language updated - wwdxc BC-DX TopNews Oct 5 via DXLD)

comment by wb: nothing changed on database, compared to B-15 TRT entries. Seemingly due of political widespread protests in Turkey as a type of political unrest, no technician frequency manager took part on B-16 conference (B¸schel, Oct 8, ibid.) seldom any changes anyway (gh)

9735, Oct 11 at 0050, very poor music with flutter, evident aside 9730 Romania which is not overpowering tonight. It`s Voice of Turkey in Turkish at 72 degrees. They no longer bother to broadcast any Turkish for North America - but the 300/310s to 27/28 Europe above are also aimed at and often propagate to, NAm (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENNG DIGEST)

** UGANDA [non]. 15240, Sat Oct 8 at 1600, WWRB is already on with hi-life music, VG signal, much better than neighbor 15825 WWCR; and 1604 R. Munansi starts talking in English about corruption in Uganda, naming numerous businesses owned by MusÈveni or his family. So schedule appears to be at least: 16-19 UT Sat & Sun. We are still wondering how well this get to Uganda, as it has been inaudible in South Africa.

15239.96, Sat Oct 8 at 1818, recheck of R. Munansi via WWRB (which I had heard starting in English just after 1600): Now it`s open carrier/ dead air; is no one paying attention? Still DA at 1822, 1834; finally at 1849 modulation has resumed, now lo-fi internet feed of presumed Luganda talk. Still a huge signal today, unlike sometimes JBA; at a critical propagation distance from TN (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** U K [non]. Additional frequency of BBC WS from Oct 6:
0700-0800 add 9915 ASC 250 kW / 055 deg to WeAf English
parallel freq 6190 MEY 100 kW / 000 deg to SoAf English
parallel freq 9410 MEY 100 kW / 015 deg to SoAf English
// frequency 11770 ASC 250 kW / 027 deg to WeAf English
// frequency 12095 ASC 250 kW / 065 deg to CeAf English
// frequency 13580 MDC 250 kW / 315 deg to CEAf English
// frequency 13660 ASC 125 kW / 055 deg to WeAf English
// frequency 15420 DHA 250 kW / 220 deg to CEAf English
// frequency 17830 MEY 250 kW / 328 deg to CeAf English
http://swldxbulgaria.blogspot.bg/2016/10/additional-frequency-of-bbc-ws-from-oct6.html
(DX RE MIX NEWS #972 from Georgi Bancov and Ivo Ivanov, October 9, 2016 via DXLD)

** U K. SAMIR FARAH HAS BEEN APPOINTED AS THE NEW HEAD OF BBC ARABIC
Last updated: 07.10.2016 at 15.14 Category: World Service
http://www.bbc.co.uk/mediacentre/latestnews/2016/head-of-bbc-arabic

Samir has been with BBC Arabic since 1996 as a programme maker, presenter and editor. Most recently he has led the programmes department, which has pioneered new formats and produced groundbreaking documentaries, including Syrian Journey, Broadcasting Hate and Slaves Of The Caliphate.

Samir says: ìIt is a huge honour to be the new Head of BBC Arabic. It is also a huge responsibility. I will work with some of the most talented journalists in the world to continue delivering to our audiences the most impartial news, analysis and groundbreaking programmes.î

As presenter, Samir has also launched and presented some of BBC Arabicís best known programmes, including the flagship interactive debate programme, Nuqtat Hewar. He takes up the new role on 10 October.

Key Facts about BBC Arabic

BBC Arabic is a multimedia service, available on TV, radio, online and via mobile handheld devices, 24-hours a day, seven days a week.
BBC Arabic has a weekly audience of 37m.
BBC Arabic radio was established in 1938, the website bbcarabic.com - in 1998, and TV - in 2008.
BBC Arabic, as part of World Service Group (29 Languages), is currently funded by TV Licence payers in the UK.
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(BBC PR via Dr Hansjoerg Biener, Oct 10, DXLD)

** U K. FROM 'MOTHER'S MIDDAY MEAL' TO MENOPAUSE, WOMAN'S HOUR CELEBRATES 70 YEARS
Press Association Last updated: 07 October 2016, 13:30 BST

Radio 4 show Woman's Hour is celebrating its 70th birthday - and much has changed since the debut episode discussed "putting your best face forward". . .
http://home.bt.com/news/uk-news/from-mothers-midday-meal-to-menopause-womans-hour-celebrates-70-years-11364103600957
(via Mike Cooper, DXLD)

** U K. INTERNET RADIO AUDIENCES ó WHAT WE KNOW
Radio World By James Careless October 10, 2016

"Now the critical question: Where does internet radio figure into the U.K.ís overall audio listenership? It depends on which platform you are referring to ó PCs and laptop computers, smartphones or tablets...
http://www.radioworld.com/article/uk-internet-radio-audiences--what-we-know/279793
(via Mike Terry, dxldyg via DXLD)

I took part in this MIDAS survey; they contacted me again in June this year to take part in another one. You get a £5 Amazon voucher for doing it. This was as a result of me agreeing to take part in the much larger RAJAR audience survey and then saying I'd be happy to take part in other radio related ones.

The full report James Careless is quoting from is here:
http://www.rajar.co.uk/docs/news/Audio_Time%20_FINAL.pdf
Posted by: (Mike Barraclough, dxldyg via DXLD)

** U S A. 7268-LSB, Oct 7 at 0330, this is supposed to be the night frequency of WX4NHC for hurricane emergency info, but I hear very little activity. Maybe I`m not staying on it long enough. Still nothing going there at 0402 recheck.

7268-LSB, Oct 8 at 0133, very poor signal from someham inviting direct weather observations to be relayed to the National Hurricane Center
(Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** U S A. 7305 & 7405, Oct 6 at 0323, VOA One, Greenville signals are gone again, as Matthew has moved on from Haiti. Richard Langley says there were some Creole newscasts earlier in previous evenings, back on SW, but not for long; as if Haiti is all-OK now in the aftermath of this and previous disasters (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** U S A [non]. Frequency changes of Voice of America
1630-1700 15260 KWT 250 kW / 185 deg CeAf Swahili Daily, ex 15265 KWT
1730-1800 11720 SAO 100 kW / 076 deg EaAf Oromo Mon-Fri, ex 12080 SAO
1730-1800 15785 SAO 100 kW / 076 deg EaAf Oromo Mon-Fri, ex 12040 MEY
1800-1900 11720 LAM 100 kW / 132 deg EaAf Amharic Daily, ex 12080 WOF
1800-1900 15785 WOF 300 kW / 120 deg EaAf Amharic Daily, ex 12040 KWT
1900-1930 11720 UDO 250 kW / 280 deg EaAf Tigrinya Mon-Fri,x12080 DHA
1900-1930 15785 DHA 250 kW / 225 deg EaAf Tigrinya Mon-Fri,x12040 LAM
http://swldxbulgaria.blogspot.bg/2016/10/frequency-changes-of-voice-of-america.html
-- 73! (Ivo Ivanov, Sofia, Bulgaria, Sony ICF-2001D 30 m. long wire, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Jamming of VOA broadcasts to Ethiopia --- Ethiopia has stepped up its jamming of Voice of America broadcasts to Ethiopia in Amharic, Afan Oromo, and Tigrigna. VOA has responded by increasing the number of frequencies it uses to transmit to Ethiopia. You can tune in to observe shortwave radio broadcasting versus jamming ...

VOA TO ETHIOPIA

Daily except * - Monday through Friday

Afan Oromo
1730-1800 UTC* 12040 12080 12110 12140 13860 15630 15700

Amharic
1600-1630 UTC* 1431 (MW Djibouti)
1630-1700 UTC* 6040 15580
1800-1900 UTC   12040 12080 12110 12140 13860 15630 15700

Tigrigna
1900-1930 UTC* 12040 12080 12110 13860 15630 15700
(VOA Radiogram Oct 8 via roger, dxldyg via DXLD)

VOA Radiogram, 8-9 October 2016: Hurricane Matthew edition

Hurricane Matthew will probably not affect our North Carolina transmitting site, so VOA Radiogram should be on the air as scheduled. Most models show the storm turning east into the Atlantic, then maybe south and back west into Florida again. We hope that our listeners in

Florida, Georgia, and South Carolina stay safe and experience minimal disruptions. [. . .]

VOA to Ethiopia. During last weekís VOA Radiogram, I included the transmission schedule for VOA broadcasts to Ethiopia, which are now jammed in Ethiopia, at least on some frequencies. Two of the frequencies have been changed: 12040 and 12080 kHz have been replaced by 11720 and 15785 kHz. The new schedule is Ö

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1730-1800 UTC* 11720 12110 12140 13860 15630 15700 15785

Amharic
1600-1630 UTC* 1431
1630-1700 UTC* 6040 15580
1800-1900 UTC 11720 12110 12140 13860 15630 15700 15785

Tigrigna
1900-1930 UTC* 11720 12110 13860 15630 15700 15785
* Monday through Friday
(via Kim Elliott, Oct 7, dxldyg via DXLD) Why don`t you include the transmitter sites, which all of us want to know? (gh, DXLD)

I wish I knew the transmitter sites! I'm not "need to know" for such information (Kim Elliott, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

15630, Oct 10 at 1730, VOA opening Oromo presumably via Woofferton UK, clear of jamming --- but at 1731 I hear a carrier come on hetting it from lo side, approx. 15628.7, but before I can pin it down, at 1732 it switches to broadband DRM noise jamming, no doubt from ETHIOPIA, but at least over here, VOA is still readable if one understood the language. The brief AM carrier must be part of the set-up process for the DRM jamming transmission.

Then I look for the other frequencies: 13860, nothing audible, as to be expected if sites are correct as via Wolfgang B¸schel in DXLD 16-29: Thailand until 1800, switch to UAE for the Amharic hour.

``Oromo to East Africa
1730-1748 12040SAO 12080SAO 12110LAM 12140MEY 13860UDO 15630WOF
1749-1800 12040SAO 12080SAO 12110LAM 12140UDO 13860UDO 15630WOF
1730-1800 additional 15700LAM``

15700, Oct 10 at 1734, only a JBA carrier here, as before. In the 12`s, at 1735 I have JBA carriers on 12140+ off-frequency? And 12110 (12105 WTWW not on till circa 1800, maybe). DRM noise jamming is probably on these, but all too weak to propagate over here on the lower band. Nothing heard on 12080, 12040 (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX

LISTENING DIGEST)

11720, Oct 11 at 1755, no signal from new frequency for VOA Oromo, which I belatedly learned about from Kim Elliott. But something audible at 1809, perhaps after site change, which? Kim does not have a Need to Know, so neither do we! However the two deleted frequencies, 12040 and 12080 were previously reported to be S„o TomÈ during the 1730 semi-hour. From this week`s VOA radiogram as of Oct 7:

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Tigrigna
1900-1930 UTC* 11720 12110 13860 15630 15700 15785
* Monday through Friday``

15785 has a JBA carrier at 1755 Oct 11, much weaker than 15700, presumably Lampertheim per previous info; and much much weaker than 15630 which is always best here, believed to be Woofferton.

At 1809: 13860 audible, 15630 with a VOA jingle at 1810; 15785 now very poor but better than 15700. No signals audible on 12140, 12110. 15630 is not synchronized with 11720 et al., if really the same programming. AND: NO DRM jamming audible at all on any of these, but does not mean none is being transmitted.

Wolfgang B¸schel has reworked above schedule for the DXLD yg, somehow adding transmitter sites: note how many change from one language to the next, but also some change site amid language blox; a fluid situation not necessarily same from day to day:

``IBB / VOA to Ethiopia frequency changes. During last week's VOA Radiogram, I included the transmission schedule for VOA broadcasts to Ethiopia, which are now {WHITE NOISE DIGITAL SCRATCHING, wb.} jammed in Ethiopia, at least on some frequencies.

Two of the frequencies have been changed: 12040KWT and 12080WOF have

been replaced by 11720LAM and 15785WOF. The new schedule is:

Afan Oromo
1730-1744 UTC* 11720SAO 12110LAM 12140MEY 13860UDO 15630WOF 15700LAM 15785SAO
1744-1800 UTC* 11720SAO 12110LAM 12140UDO 13860UDO 15630WOF 15700LAM 15785SAO

Amharic
1600-1630 UTC* 1431DJI
1630-1700 UTC* 6040BOT 15580BOT
1800-1812 UTC 11720LAM 12110KWT 12140UDO 13860WOF 15630WOF 15700LAM 15785WOF
1813-1825 UTC 11720LAM 12110LAM 12140UDO 13860WOF 15630WOF 15700LAM 15785WOF
1826-1835 UTC 11720LAM 12110LAM 12140UDO 13860WOF 15630WOF 15700LAM 15785WOF
1835-1855 UTC 11720LAM 12110LAM 12140UDO 13860WOF 15630WOF 15700LAM 15785WOF
1855-1900 UTC 11720LAM 12110LAM 12140UDO 13860WOF 15630WOF 15700LAM 15785WOF

Tigrigna
1900-1913 UTC* 11720UDO 12110BOT 12140LAM 13860UAE 15630WOF 15700LAM 15785UAE
1913-1930 UTC* 11720UDO 12110LAM 12140BOT 13860UAE 15630WOF 15700LAM 15785UAE
* Monday through Friday``
(Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Glenn, I checked now again all IBB monitoring system log reports between Oct 3 and 12; here is my condensed UPDATED 3 languages table of ETH schedule:

USA [non]
[BOTSWANA/DJIBOUTI/GERMANY/SAO TOME/SOUTH AFRICA/THAILAND/UAE/U.K.]

IBB / VOA to Ethiopia frequency changes.

VOA to Ethiopia. During last week's VOA Radiogram, I included the transmission schedule for VOA broadcasts to Ethiopia, which are now {WHITE NOISE DIGITAL SCRATCHING, wb.} jammed in Ethiopia, at least on some frequencies.

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                13860UDO 15630WOF 15700LAM 15785SAO{ex12080SAO}

Amharic
1600-1630 UTC*   1431DJI
1630-1700 UTC*   6040BOT 15580BOT

1800-1900 UTC   11720LAM{ex12040KWT} 12110KWT{ex12110LAM}
                12140UDO 13860WOF 15630WOF 15700LAM
                15785WOF{ex12080WOF}

Tigrigna
1900-1930 UTC* 11720UDO{ex12040SAO}   12110BOT{ex12110LAM}
                12140LAM{ex12140BOT}   13860UAE 15630WOF 15700LAM
                15785UAE{ex12080UAE}
* Monday through Friday (via Kim Elliott-DC-USA, dxld Oct 7, annotated by Wolfgang B¸schel, Oct 12, WORLD OF RADIO 1847, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** U S A. VOA KRIYOL BACK ON SHORTWAVE --- 15220, Oct 10 at 1948, S9+10, open carrier/dead air, typical warmup behavior of VOA, but nothing scheduled here. I stay with it and hear no modulation except some occasional crackles until: 1959, ``Voice of America, Washington DC, signing-on``, but modulation and/or carrier (partially?) keep cutting off and on, ruining Yankee Doodle; 2000 joining Kriyol language service, not mentioning any frequencies, but right into news/discussion about SiklÚn Mathieu.

I quickly scan all other bands, 13, 11, 9, 7, 17, 18 and 21 MHz but the only // found is 11720 which is almost same level and synchronized. Keeps going past 2015 rather than cutting to irrelevant VOA One rock music filler as they were doing during the axual hurricane strike a week ago with 15-minute Kriyol hourtop new relays on SW, 7305 evenings and later 7405 (but missing any Kriyol?), plus 9565 in the mornings; but that all stopped October 5.

I wonder if these 15220/11720 broadcasts picked up immediately and we just now found them, or just now inaugurated? VOA website is of course no help, Lavwadlamerik, http://www.voanouvel.com --- can`t find anything about a pwogram on any SW frequency, but lots about TV and podcasts. I suppose Haitians can only know about them by word of mouth, bandscanning themselves, or maybe mentions on FM or TV relays, in which case they don`t need SW. So how long will this go on?

O, 2039 recheck, both these are gone again, so must have been for about one semihour. Back later, different frequencies lower for evening? Not back at 2120 rerecheck. Then I check all four frequencies sometime during each successive hour, 22, 23; Oct 11 after 00, and 01,

and no show of any more VOA Creole or One filler music.

BTW, what timezone is Ayiti in? WRTH says UT -4 DST until Nov 6 like USA; but this says HaÔti does not observe DST this year, i.e. UT -5: http://www.timeanddate.com/time/change/haiti
This means altho it is well to the east by latitude of most of the USA, except New England, spanning 72 degrees W, and of course, also *east* of Sputnik Kyba, its local clock is one hour *behind*, not ahead of those countries!

But it`s not Haiti which is out of step, rather those who impose daylight shifting upon themselves. Helloooo, way out there in the Caribbean, it`s the same clock time as in Enid, west of 97.5, so which ought to be on UT -7 yearound (Glenn Hauser, OK, WORLD OF RADIO 1847, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

This new VOA Creole shortwave broadcast began 10 October.
2000-2030 UTC 11720 15220
Both via North Carolina, of course. I don't know how long these transmissions will continue (Kim Elliott, VOA, Oct 11, dxldyg via WORLD OF RADIO 1847, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Very good reception on both frequencies here in NB this afternoon. The two frequencies had about equal strength. 1000 Hz test tone (plus harmonics) on 11720 kHz before ID and IS. Significant audio problems though. Completely intermittent audio after the first minute or so of the program (after the ID and IS) until the end of the program. But the sign-off announcement was fine. I think the carrier stayed on the whole time and it was the audio modulation that was the problem. Was recording unattended so didn't check 15220 kHz to see if that frequency had the same problem. Let's hope they do better tomorrow. One would expect better from the VOA (Richard Langley, Oct 11, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

15220. October 12, 2016. 2002-2030, Voice of America, in Creole (Haitian). Man announcer talks and comments about current situation in Haiti post-hurricane and humanitarian help; 2016 woman announcer talks, ID. 2024 Songs; 2030 ID, IS and sign-off. Frequency with good signal and fair modulation, 45443. Parallel log on 11720, 35432 (sometimes, 35433). Both frequencies via Greenville-NC? (JR Xavier, Brasil, Hard-Core-DX mailing list via DXLD)

11720 & 15220, Oct 12 at 1955, VOA GB carriers are on, and Kriyol after 2000. Also still doing it Oct 13 at 2015 check (Glenn Hauser, OK, WORLD OF RADIO 1847, DX LISTENING DIGEST) See also ETHIOPIA [non] last day for this Kriyol: Oct 14 per Kim Elliott

** U S A [and non]. WORLD OF RADIO 1846 monitoring: confirmed Thursday

October 6 at new time of 2130.0 on WRMI 13695, VG. Ex-2100 to accommodate now daily relay of R. Slovakia International at 2100. To accommodate `Blues Radio International`, which used to follow WOR Thursdays at 2130, it`s been shifted 24 hours later to Friday, thus deleting the next WOR airing. 1846 also confirmed Thu Oct 6 at 2330 on WBCQ 9330.058-CUSB, good. Next remaining WORs:

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Fri 2330   WBCQ 9330v-CUSB to WSW
Sat 0630   HLR  6190-CUSB to SW
Sat 0800   Unique Radio NSW 3210 ND [ex-0700]
Sat 1300   Unique Radio NSW 3210 ND [ex-1400]
Sat 1430   HLR  7265-CUSB to SW [unheard last two weeks]
Sat 1930v  WA0RCR 1860-AM ND
Sat 2230   WBCQ 9330v-CUSB to WSW
Sun 0310v  WA0RCR 1860-AM ND
Sun 0830   Unique Radio NSW 3210 ND
Sun 2330   WBCQ 9330v-CUSB to WSW
Mon 0030   WRMI 7730 to WNW
Mon 0300v  WBCQ 5130v Area 51 to WSW
Mon 0330   WRMI 9955 to SSE
Mon 2330   WBCQ 9330v-CUSB to WSW
Tue 1100   WRMI 9955 to SSE
Tue 2130   WRMI 15770 to NE
Tue 2330   WBCQ 9330v-CUSB to WSW
Wed 1315.5 WRMI 9955 to SSE
Wed 2100   WBCQ 7490v to WSW
Wed 2330   WBCQ 9330v-CUSB to WSW
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WORLD OF RADIO 1846 monitoring: confirmed Friday October 7 at 2330 on WBCQ 9330.065-CUSB, S9+10.

Note: the second item on this WOR about Argentina MW 750 being DXed in Ontario has been retracted by the reporter: it was really Venezuela.

Next:

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Sat 0630   HLR  6190-CUSB to SW
Sat 0800   Unique Radio NSW 3210 ND [ex-0700]
Sat 1300   Unique Radio NSW 3210 ND [ex-1400]
Sat 1430   HLR  7265-CUSB to SW [unheard last two weeks]
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Mon 0330   WRMI 9955 to SSE
Mon 2330   WBCQ 9330v-CUSB to WSW
Tue 1100   WRMI 9955 to SSE
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Tue 2130 WRMI 15770 to NE
Tue 2330 WBCQ 9330v-CUSB to WSW
Wed 1315.5 WRMI 9955 to SSE
Wed 2100 WBCQ 7490v to WSW
Wed 2330 WBCQ 9330v-CUSB to WSW

WORLD OF RADIO 1846 monitoring: confirmed Saturday Oct 8 at 1445 check, the 1431 broadcast on 7265-CUSB, Hamburger Lokalradio via UTwente. Readable, but with some ACI. Had been missing at least the past two weeks. Next:
Sat 1930v WA0RCR 1860-AM ND
Sat 2230 WBCQ 9330v-CUSB to WSW
Sun 0310v WA0RCR 1860-AM ND
Sun 0830 Unique Radio NSW 3210 ND
Sun 2330 WBCQ 9330v-CUSB to WSW
Mon 0030 WRMI 7730 to WNW
Mon 0300v WBCQ 5130v Area 51 to WSW
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Tue 1100 WRMI 9955 to SSE
Tue 2130 WRMI 15770 to NE
Tue 2330 WBCQ 9330v-CUSB to WSW
Wed 1315.5 WRMI 9955 to SSE
Wed 2100 WBCQ 7490v to WSW
Wed 2330 WBCQ 9330v-CUSB to WSW

WORLD OF RADIO 1846 monitoring: confirmed Saturday October 8 after 2230 on WBCQ 9330v-CUSB via the BST-1 caradio. Next:
Sun 0310v WA0RCR 1860-AM ND [audible at 0307 with ARRL news before]
Sun 0830 Unique Radio NSW 3210 ND
Sun 2330 WBCQ 9330v-CUSB to WSW
Mon 0030 WRMI 7730 to WNW
Mon 0300v WBCQ 5130v Area 51 to WSW
Mon 0330 WRMI 9955 to SSE
Mon 2330 WBCQ 9330v-CUSB to WSW
Tue 1100 WRMI 9955 to SSE
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Tue 2330 WBCQ 9330v-CUSB to WSW
Wed 1315.5 WRMI 9955 to SSE
Wed 2100 WBCQ 7490v to WSW
Wed 2330 WBCQ 9330v-CUSB to WSW

WORLD OF RADIO 1846 monitoring: confirmed UT Sunday Oct 9 at 0342 a few minutes before ending, so started approximately 0315 on 1860-AM, WA0RCR, Wentzville MO. Next:
Sun 2330 WBCQ 9330v-CUSB to WSW
Mon 0030 WRMI 7730 to WNW
Mon 0300v WBCQ 5130v Area 51 to WSW

Mon 0330 WRMI 9955 to SSE
Mon 2330 WBCQ 9330v-CUSB to WSW
Tue 1100 WRMI 9955 to SSE
Tue 2130 WRMI 15770 to NE
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Wed 1315.5 WRMI 9955 to SSE
Wed 2100 WBCQ 7490v to WSW
Wed 2330 WBCQ 9330v-CUSB to WSW

WORLD OF RADIO 1846 monitoring: NOT confirmed Sunday Oct 9 at 2330 on 9330v-CUSB as WBCQ is inaudible, apparently off the air (7490+ is still on the air). Confirmed UT Monday Oct 10 after 0030 on WRMI, 7730, very good. Confirmed on Area 51 webcast UT Monday Oct 10 at 0300 but NOT on 5130v-AM as this WBCQ is also inaudible, off the air (while 7490 remains; no 3250v either). Confirmed UT Monday Oct 10 at 0345, amid the 0330 broadcast on WRMI 9955, S9+25 but Cuban pulse jamming audible underneath: tnx a lot, Arnie! I wouldn`t dream of jamming your boring repetitive DX program full of clichÈs; no need to. Next WORs:
Mon 2330 WBCQ 9330v-CUSB to WSW
Tue 1100 WRMI 9955 to SSE
Tue 2130 WRMI 15770 to NE
Tue 2330 WBCQ 9330v-CUSB to WSW
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Wed 2100 WBCQ 7490v to WSW
Wed 2330 WBCQ 9330v-CUSB to WSW
(Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Glenn, 5130 went down around 0230, right before the punchline of John Lightning's fake news report. Turned the volume down a bit and continued to monitor in case it came back up. Static and the doped up washing machine was showing about S7. I could also very faintly hear sideband voices and I swear at times I heard barking dogs. Left it on till well after the end of WOR and it never came back up. Bummer as I'll now have to try and catch the show this week.

Both nights of the weekend the washing machine was lower volume and more underneath the signal. It just occurred to me that I should have tried the sidebands also to see if I could reduce it some. Will try that next weekend (John Carver, Mid-North Indiana, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

WORLD OF RADIO 1846 monitoring: confirmed Monday October 10 at 2330 on WBCQ, 9330.069v-CUSB, back up to usual fair signal. Next:
Tue 1100 WRMI 9955 to SSE
Tue 2130 WRMI 15770 to NE
Tue 2330 WBCQ 9330v-CUSB to WSW
Wed 1315.5 WRMI 9955 to SSE
Wed 2100 WBCQ 7490v to WSW

Wed 2330 WBCQ 9330v-CUSB to WSW

WORLD OF RADIO 1846 monitoring: confirmed Tuesday October 11 at 2130 on WRMI 15770, fair. Also confirmed Tue Oct 11 at 2330 on WBCQ, 9330.086v-CUSB, fair. Also confirmed Wed Oct 12 after 1315.5 on WRMI, 9955, good with no jamming audible. Next:
Wed 2100 WBCQ 7490v to WSW
Wed 2330 WBCQ 9330v-CUSB to WSW

WORLD OF RADIO 1846 monitoring: confirmed Wednesday October 12 at 2100 on WBCQ webcast, and 7490 was on and audible with else a few minutes earlier. WOR 1846 also confirmed Wed Oct 12 at 2330 on WBCQ 9330.079v-CUSB.

WORLD OF RADIO 1847 ready for first airings Oct 13: confirmed the first SW broadcast, Thursday 1130 on WRMI 9955 when checked at 1142, S9+20, no jamming audible. Also confirmed Thu Oct 13 at 2130 on WRMI, 13695, excellent. Next:
Thu 2330 WBCQ 9330v-CUSB to WSW
Fri 0830 Unique Radio NSW 3210 ND
Fri 2330 WBCQ 9330v-CUSB to WSW
Sat 0630 HLR 6190-CUSB to SW
Sat 0800 Unique Radio NSW 3210 ND
Sat 1300 Unique Radio NSW 3210 ND
Sat 1430 HLR 7265-CUSB to SW
Sat 1930v WA0RCR 1860-AM ND
Sat 2230 WBCQ 9330v-CUSB to WSW
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Wed 2330 WBCQ 9330v-CUSB to WSW
(Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** U S A. Numerous WRMI observations:

9955, Oct 6 at 1845, Brother Scare on this WRMI frequency unusually with some hum, as far as I can tell transmitted that way, while all other WRMI frequencies audible 11-18 MHz are OK.

11580, Oct 6 at 2015, WRMI with big band music; 2030 announcement I can`t make out due to ignition noise level into the BSR-1 caradio vs this weak signal; music after 2030 is more like Dixieland. Anyhow, this does not sound like `Media Network Plus`, which is what shows now as an additional airing on the skedgrid for Thursday 20-21 on 11580. Nor does it sound like usual World Music filler.

11530, Oct 7 at 0320 no signal from WRMI, a missing frequency, since when on, it is always stronger than // BS 11580, which is still JBA.

9955, Oct 7 at 0320, hurricane warning audio from the National Hurricane Center, then Jeff White anchoring with more hurricane info, live? Certainly a departure from normal programming for this special event. But the stats he cites mainly about Bahamas are from 1800 UTC, more than 9 hours ago, so maybe not live. Signal quite good, but now fading down for 0329 canned ID, and back to normal programming of preacher at 0330, and another at 0400.

Conveniently scheduled for UT Friday 0315 on 9955 is `Viva Miami`. It might pay to check further `VM` blox for more Matthew coverage. You`ll find all 18 of them per week in the new update of DX/SWL/Media programs:
http://www.worldofradio.com/dxpgms.html
along with all two dozen weekly airings of `Wavescan` on WRMI alone.

Meanwhile circa 0325 Oct 7, I have checked all the other WRMI frequencies I can remember: confirmed BS u.o.s. on: 9395 (TN), 7730, 7570, 6855, 5985 (Spanish), 5950 (+ Ethiopia?), 5850, 5765, 5015. So AWOL is: 7780. Recheck at 0511, 7780 is still off.

9955, Oct 7 at 1330, WRMI is OFF --- quickly check all other frequencies 5-21 MHz, and they are also off, except a JBA signal on 6855 with Brother HyStairical --- which is obviously top priority at RMI, even above 9955 to keep on air. It appears that Hurricane Matthew did not get too close to Okeechobee, so hope the antennas didn`t get wind damage, but as I suspected, depending on commercial power again takes down WRMI. We await Brother Scare`s take on God`s watery and windy wrath wiping out Walterboro?

This scenario is confirmed via Richard Langley, From the WRMI Facebook page: "As of 0630 UTC Friday, our electricity is out at the WRMI transmitter site in Okeechobee. We are operating on emergency generator power, which powers our lights, air conditioning and computers. However, all transmitters are off the air except 6855 kHz, which remains on the air on extremely low power. Winds are extremely strong here, and we do not have an estimate of when electricity will be restored. The center of Hurricane Matthew is northeast of us now."

Another check of WRMI frequencies at 1422 Oct 7 still finds them all off except 6855, but there are JBA carriers from somethings on 11825 and 15440-music. I.e.: 11825 RVA Philippines in Bengali; 15440 AWR Austria in Urdu.

1645 recheck Oct 7: all are back on from 21675 to 6855, except 17790; and 5015 if on I can`t hear in the daytime. That lowest one would be best to pre-empt for close-in emergency broadcasts (Glenn Hauser, OK, WORLD OF RADIO 1847, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Looks like hurricane Matthew knocked off WRMI, or they took the transmitters off intentionally. Oddly 6855 is the only frequency on though. (7 Oct.) 73 (Dave Valko, Dunlo, PA USA, Perseus, Wellbrook ALA1530S and 153 triangular Delta Loop and Perseus net receivers, Hard-Core-DX mailing list via DXLD)

6855 kHz could be barely heard just after 1100 UT here in NB. Carrier clearly detected but virtually no audio. Didn't check any other WRMI frequencies (Richard Langley, Oct 7, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Update from WRMI's Facebook page: "WRMI went back on the air around 1600 UTC Friday when our power came back on. All transmitters except #4 are now back on the air, and we hope to have #4 back on later today." (Richard Langley, 1942 UT Oct 7, ibid.)

11580, Oct 7 at 1949, now this WRMI frequency is missing (while 11565 BS is OK as usual); after 2000, 11580 is still off, so I can`t monitor what program or World Music is really on today.

7730, UT Sat Oct 8 at 0009, WRMI is still repeating the CDXA special tribute to Ecos del Torbes from two months ago, altho it had been erased from the skedgrid leaving a blank space. I can think of another DX program which could fit in there, new every week.

See also SOUTH CAROLINA [non] for another missing WRMI frequency.

11580, Sat Oct 8 at 0119, Xmas carol already, ``We Three Kings``, not sure of language on poor signal. This is the quarter-hour merely labeled `Hymns` on schedule.

11580, Sat Oct 8 after 2000, checking what`s on WRMI now: `Frecuencia al DÌa`; and after 2030: Hobart Radio International, additional airing filling in a blank on the sked when last checked. Later in the semi-hour we hear Rob talking about hurricane hitting Bahamas Thursday. Excuse me, but with saturation coverage in the USA, we hardly need someone from Tasmania telling us about it two days later as if it were news.

11580, Oct 10 at 2001 check, WRMI reconfirmed still with World Music starting this hour at least on Monday. Altho changes have been made all A-season, the WRMI transmission and non-9955 program schedules now have a new as-of date on them, October 6. https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1nEVwCMB9RSKowLzLXamyayVpCzjmPAw_SB1r3YOdzQc/edit?pref=2&pli=1#gid=0 still showing blankblox Mon-Tue-Wed 20-21 on 11580. I don`t notice any significant changes since last I spied it a day or two ago.

7730, Oct 11 at 0058, S Asian song during WRMI World Music still running this hour on UT Tue but after 0100 it`s back to BS.

11580, Oct 12 at 2001, WRMI replaying `Viva Miami` with mailbag for reception reports on multiple frequencies. So this occupies the first quarter of the blank hour on the Wednesday schedule. Not rechecked until 2048 when Brazilian music is playing, so back to World Music by then (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** U S A. Glenn. Boy howdy! Wish I had been able to contact you sooner but internet has been acting up. Re the late night program on WBCQ that you commented on when you couldn't find it. It supposedly had something to do with Bill Cooper. Turns out that it didn't and the man who put the program on is a real nut case. He began making crazy demands of the station and they dumped the program. Then he said he was going to sue them. Then he said they were going to [be] fined five hundred thousand dollars a day till things were resolved. He has been bothering Allan and Larry Will at work. Harassing phone calls, fake phone calls with disguised voice, etc. Larry went on at great length about this tonight on 5130 after AWWW went off the air.

Now the man has taken on Brother Stair and Larry played excerpts from some of Brother Stair's program concerning this. He called Brother Stair's machine two or three times. Is threatening to sue Brother Stair and remove him from WBCQ. Is accusing Brother Stair of having bodies buried on his compound. He claims to be from heaven and some sort of messiah. During the approximately twenty minutes of tape, the lawsuit grew from half a million to thirteen million. Says that Stair is of the devil and he will eliminate him. Went on and on sounding like a very crazy person.

I'm still not set up to tape here so have no record for you. Perhaps Larry has this recorded. You would have to contact him to see if he has but it was very interesting radio for awhile there. Am trying to remember everything that was said but my mind is not what it used to be. If you missed it you missed a good one (John Carver, Mid-North Indiana, Oct 8, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

I did miss it. I asked Larry if I could hear this or if he would write

about it, but no reply. Must be a bit sensitive. See our report (the only one?) about it in DXLD 16-37 re:
``0400 0700 UTC The Hour Of The Time / The Road To Paradise``
(Glenn Hauser, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** U S A. (7490), Sat Oct 8 around 2315, it`s more convenient for me to check WBCQ webcasts, and (5130) Area 51 --- to my surprise, both are carrying `Radio TimTron Worldwide`, altho far out of synch. 7490 is supposed to be `Shortwave Saturday Night`.

By 2336, I am on the NRD-545 instead (never with internet at same time), and now SWSN is indeed on 7490 not // 5130 TimTron; was there a change in the meantime, or a protracted mixup in web feeds? 9330 is in a few-week-old playback of `Allan Weiner Worldwide` about how equipment smells, TimTron guesting here too, and called upon for reception antenna advice. 3250: no signal audible.

At 2359, 7490 chops off J. P. Ferraro in progress for a canned WBCQ ID and immediately into a KCAA ID with the `Mitch & Kathy` show at 0000 UT Sunday Oct 9. Now I recheck 3250 and find a JBA carrier about 3250.065, so maybe that`s WBCQ continuing J. P.`s show (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** U S A. 5085, UT Fri Oct 7 at 0325, WTWW-2 is on with music, ``Alfie``, at S9+50, and with BFO I can tell the carrier is somewhat unstable; accompanied by JBA carrier spurs on 5072.1 and 5097.9.

12105, Oct 7 at 1925, WTWW-3 is open carrier of dead air rating S9+30.

9930, Oct 10 at 2007, S9+20 open carrier except for big hum, from WTWW-2. So are they trying to bring Dave Ramsey back, or what? 9475 is nominal, and 12105 is AWOL (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** U S A. 9605, Oct 11 at 0126, S7 signal, but just barely modulated, presumably the WHRI relay of KBS World Radio in Spanish. Not the first time thus. In case it might be instead the RHC spur from 9535, I check that and no match now (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** U S A. 15555-USB, Oct 7 at 1938, WJHR with S9 signal, much better than usual, often JBA at an awkward propagational distance. Program is `Jewish Voice Ministries`, topic ``the rÙle of Israel in last-days prophecy``, so unseems the usual John Hill, diversifying? (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** U S A. 9265, Fri Oct 7 at 1932, no signal from WINB, but recheck at 1952, now it`s on with gospel huxter at S9, about the same level as neighbor 9275 WMLK which was already on with DEJOM. WINB program sked updated October 2 shows weekday sign-on now is supposedly 1930, much

earlier on weekends. No longer listed is Unique Radio Saturdays at 1100, nor anywhen (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Updated schedule of WINB Red Lion from October 2:
1100-1200 9265 INB 050 kW / 242 deg CeAm English Sun, ex Sat/Sun
1200-2000 9265 INB 050 kW / 242 deg CeAm English Sat/Sun
1930-1945 9265 INB 050 kW / 242 deg CeAm English Mon-Fri, ex from 1900
1945-2000 9265 INB 050 kW / 242 deg CeAm Eng/Spa Mon-Thu
1945-2000 9265 INB 050 kW / 242 deg CeAm English Fri
2000-2230 9265 INB 050 kW / 242 deg CeAm English Daily
2230-2300 9265 INB 050 kW / 242 deg CeAm Spanish Mon
2230-2300 9265 INB 050 kW / 242 deg CeAm English Tue-Sun
2300-2400 9265 INB 050 kW / 242 deg CeAm English Daily
0000-0300 9265 INB 050 kW / 242 deg CeAm English Daily
0300-0400 9265 INB 050 kW / 242 deg CeAm English Wed/Thu/Sat-Mon
http://swldxbulgaria.blogspot.bg/2016/10/updated-schedule-of-winb-red-lion-from.html
(DX RE MIX NEWS #972 from Georgi Bancov and Ivo Ivanov, October 9, 2016 via DXLD)

** U S A. 9275.04, WMLK, 1910 found on the air. Spiritual instruction with a lot scription [sic] quotes. 2000 full complete ID and off the air at 2001:57. Good signal. (7 Oct.) (Dave Valko, Dunlo, PA USA, Perseus SDR with Wellbrook ALA 1530S loop antenna and 153 foot Delta Loop, micro-DXpedition, Hard-Core-DX mailing list via DXLD)

** U S A. 17775, Oct 10 at 2004, KVOH in another expanded transmission beyond nominal 1900* --- Spanish from some iglesia. Perhaps staying on to demonstrate how victimized they are by co-religionists at LeSEA, major splatter from 17765 WHRI, Christians vs Christians!

17775, Oct 12 at 1917, KVOH is still on with gospel music in Spanish; off at recheck 1955, with 17775 occupied by super-splatter from 17765 WHRIBS (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** U S A. Distorted audio of WWCR-1 on 15795 kHz and good audio on 15825 kHz, Oct 6
1100-1115 on 15795 WCR 100 kW / 046 deg to WeEu English
1115-1130 on 15795 WCR 100 kW / 046 deg to WeEu Arabic Mon-Fri
1115-1145 on 15795 WCR 100 kW / 046 deg to WeEu English Sat/Sun
1130-1145 on 15795 WCR 100 kW / 046 deg to WeEu Russian Mon-Fri
1145-1200 on 15795 WCR 100 kW / 046 deg to WeEu English

from 1200 on 15825 WCR 100 kW / 046 deg to WeEu English
http://swldxbulgaria.blogspot.bg/2016/10/distorted-audio-of-wwcr-1-on-15795-khz.html
(Ivo Ivanov, QTH: Sofia, Bulgaria, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** U S A. 660, Oct 9 at 1228 UT, Navajo drumming, 100% signature of KTNN Window Rock AZ, 50/50 kW U2, but likely on ND day pattern already ahead of October official sunrise at 1315 UT (November: 1345 UT) (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** U S A [and non]. 680, Oct 10 at 1236 UT sunrise here, ``America`s number one sports station, KNBR, 680, the sports leader``. At over 1354 miles/2178 km city-to-city, not easily heard, but this is the best time for it, the only Bay Area station making it here, the other bigshots without a clear frequency (and slightly further than NYC, also rare except sometimes 880 WCBS).

A few minutes earlier I was getting news in Spanish on 680, presumably usual XEORO Sinaloa, as the lowest-frequency XE still propagating vs the inexorable westward terminator (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** U S A. [Re 16-40]: Look for hurricane emergency AM operations --- Here in Tampa at 11 pm, I just checked out 690 WOKV and am receiving nothing but noise on 690. (I should point out that there is a weak Spanish music local here on 680, but it doesn't seem to be bleeding over to 690.) I recall back around 1989 when hurricane Hugo went through the Charleston area, 690 Jacksonville was coming in here in Tampa like a local. If 690 is operating on its daytime power & pattern, then the atmospherics must be ripping it apart (Dick in Tampa, UT Oct 7, ABDX via DXLD)

As a practical matter, I have never seen the FCC issue a citation for Non D operation under these types of circumstances. The STAs generally get filed after the emergency has largely passed, in order to cover operations that can't comply with the terms of licenses due to transmitter site storm damage. Over the years, I have had a number of conversations with FCC Field Office Personnel that essentially stated that the unwritten policy is basically "Do what you feel that you have to do during an emergency." 73, (Mike Gorniak, Braham, MN, Oct 7, ABDX via DXLD)

** U S A. 1030, Oct 9 at 1238 UT, ``The new Real Country, KCWJ`` and soon, ``Country favorites back-to-back, Real Country 1030 AM KCWJ``. Is 5/0.5 kW U4, CoL Blue Springs MO, address in Independence, i.e. greater Kansas City (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** U S A. 1180, Oct 7 at 1259 UT, RCatholic-style chanting, something new, loops SW/NE, 1300 UT ID as KLPF, 1180 AM, missed city, but it`s Midland TX. Then unaccented English talk as Guadalupe Radio Network, and program `GRN Live` from the North Texas studio. Says network is growing by leaps and bounds. Guess what? Midland is not in north Texas. Also with SAH of 148/minute = 2.47 Hz, probably against Omaha.

KLPF is 25000/215 watts U1 with a PSRA of 500. NRC AM Log shows it not yet on air as of August, rather a CP to change from 1150 which was merely 1000/148/500 U1, so QSY has now been accomplished. It remains non-direxional day and night. October sunrise is 1245 UT, so on full day power when I heard it. FCC adds, KLPF operates as a noncommercial educational station (Glenn Hauser, OK, WORLD OF RADIO 1847, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** U S A. 1440, Oct 8 at 0148 UT, Xfinity internet ad on the Cubs Radio Network. Handy list of their few affiliates includes the one I expected, WGEM Quincy IL: http://chicago.cubs.mlb.com/chc/schedule/affiliates.jsp#radio (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** U S A. 1440, Oct 9 at 1242 UT, open carrier/dead air, obviously KTNO The Metroplex TX from its direxion (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** U S A. 1480, Oct 7 at 1308 UT, KBXD is still a FARCE. No sign of latest occupant now, Radio Salam Namaste, but instead: dead air interrupted periodically by the old canned ``KBXD, 1480, Dallas`` illegal IDs by slightly-Spanish accent, some of them with a music-beat bed, and a single PSA in English from Texas Department of Transportation to ``drive smart`` (not smartly --- who needs adverbs anymore?), observing braking distances to avoid crashing sound-effects. This ``programming`` repeats every couple of minutes irregularly, and sometimes the ID overrides the tail of the PSA, still audible at 1400 UT. Is this default computer programming gone wild?

Makes 3 Hz SAH, presumably with KQAM Wichita, which can`t compete with this 50 kW even after sunrise. But thanks to the dead air intervals quieting, I detect some other intriguing 1480 signals: around 1310 UT, something briefly in Spanish, likely KAVA Pueblo CO if not KCZZ Mission KS. And some rock music from WSW/ENE? which I figured could be Hobbs NM --- except that 1480 no longer exists. Maybe it`s remnant of KTHS in AR.

1480, Oct 9 at 1243 UT, continuous S Asian pop music, 168/min SAH with KQAM Wichita = 2.8 Hz. Sounds like KBXD is back to stunting, as never hear any ID for Radio Salam Namaste which was programming it for a while. At least there is a variety of music instead of computer stuck on IDs and TX DOT PSAs over and over as recently logged. 1300 UT ToH canned ID twice for KBXD, 1480, Dallas, and back to music.

1480, Oct 12 at 1243 UT, rapid conversation between a YL and another (?) YL, mixing presumed Hindi with English, usual SAH with KQAM, from KBXD Dallas. Topic is about science and ``have a great day at school``, 1248 UT to S Asian pop music; 1253 UT next break brings

Hinglish traffic report for The Metroplex; 1255 UT news of NC flooding. This programming must be from Radio Salam Namaste, altho that ID not heard today, unlike some other days with music-only, or just TX DOT PSA/KBXD IDs/dead air as recently caught (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** U S A. Did KHQN-1480 revert to Hare Krishna format? On my EENE wire from the Border Inn beverage site, I had a station interfering with KRAE and KQAM. It was running music that was reminiscent of the old Hare Krishna format on KHQN. It disappeared abruptly at 0146 UT, which would correspond to September power-down time for Utah. Did KHQN-1480 recently revert to something akin to its old Hare Krishna format? 73 (Tim Hall, Oct 10, ABDX via DXLD)

KHQN = Spanish Fork UT, address in Provo, and was off air as of 11/2015 per NRC AM Log 2016. Could the S Asian music format of KBXD Dallas be mistaken for Hare Krishna? (Glenn Hauser, DXLD)

** U S A. 1540, TEXAS, KZMP, University Park. 0950-1005 GMT October 7, 2016. With ZNS1 Nassau off since Hurricane Matthew passing nearly over New Providence, this one showing up at decent level with lots of accordion-driven Mexi-tunes. English male canned ID, mentioning 106.7 FM and something "Communications" (ownership, maybe -- though listed as Liberman Broadcasting), back to Mexi-tunes. Website
http://labonita1067.estrellatv.com/
shows "La Ranchera" slogan and is simulcasting the FM. Wiki states the change from ESPN Deportes happened September 4, 2016 (Terry Krueger, Clearwater FL, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** U S A. 1630, WPMI336, TIS, US 40/48 and Willow Brook road interchange Cumberland, MD, Allegany county. MDOT TIS. Loop recording including ID at 1950:05. (7 Oct.) (Dave Valko, Dunlo, PA USA, Perseus SDR with Wellbrook ALA 1530S loop antenna and 153 foot Delta Loop, micro-DXpedition, Hard-Core-DX mailing list via DXLD)

** U S A. 1680, Oct 11 at 0112 UT, ``One great song after another, only on 99.7 ñ MyFM``. I copied it as 93.7, but translator listed wagging this dog of KRJO Monroe LA, is on 99.7 (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** U S A. 90.1, Fri Oct 7 at 19-20 UT on KUCO, Edmond/OKC, `The Score` with Star Trek music and interviews with the many composers over the past semicentury; highly recommended. It repeats on KUCO, also webcasting, Sat 16-17 UT. Flagship station airs it not until later Oct 8, and besides lots of previous excellent episodes, will be ondemand via
http://www.thescore.org/

``This week on The Score with Edmund Stone: the 50th anniversary of Star Trek! Featuring scores from both the films and the TV Series, plus conversations with Star Trek composers including Michael Giacchino, the wife of the late, great Jerry Goldsmith, and more. Tune into All Classical Portland this Saturday, October 8, at 2PM [PDT = 21 UT] to listen. http://www.allclassical.org/ ``
Consult
http://publicradiofan.com/cgibin/program.pl?programid=6135
for schedule of other webcasting times
(Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** U S A. PETER ALLEN, STALWART HOST OF THE METROPOLITAN OPERA'S RADIO BROADCASTS, DIES AT 96 - By Emily Langer, The Washington Post

https://www.washingtonpost.com/entertainment/music/peter-allen-stalwart-host-of-the-metropolitan-operas-radio-broadcasts-dies-at-96/2016/10/10/7f30e6dc-8ef2-11e6-9c85-ac42097b8cc0_print.html

Peter Allen, a broadcaster who for 29 years was the announcer of the Metropolitan Opera's Saturday matinee radio broadcasts, delivering Wagner and Verdi to millions of listeners beyond the Met's gilded and glittering New York theater, died Oct. 8 at his home in Manhattan. He was 96.

A niece, Carol Epstein, confirmed his death but did not cite a cause.

Now in their 86th season, the Met's Saturday radio presentations are billed as the "longest-running continuous classical radio series in American broadcast history." Their patrons, widely dispersed rather than gathered in a single theater, are famously devoted fans, tuning into the radio no less avidly than the Met's season subscribers sink into their red velvet seats.

For the first 43 years of Met radio broadcasts, listeners knew very nearly only one announcer -- Milton Cross. He inaugurated the series in 1931 and hosted more than 800 subsequent broadcasts, missing only two upon the death of his wife.

Cross died of an apparent heart attack on Jan. 3, 1975, while readying himself for the next day's matinee of Rossini's "L'Italiana in Algeri." Mr. Allen, who had trained as Cross's understudy, took over for that performance and remained for over 500 more. He retired on April 24, 2004, after a performance of Wagner's "Goetterdaemmerung," missing not a single broadcast in nearly three decades.

Speaking to the New York Sun, his successor, Margaret Juntwait, described him as "sort of like the Cal Ripken of radio broadcasting. Cal Ripken never missed a game and Peter Allen never missed a

broadcast." Juntwait died last year of ovarian cancer, at age 58, and was succeeded by Mary Jo Heath. Today, the matinee broadcasts reach listeners on 573 U.S. stations, as well as other stations around the world and on Sirius satellite radio, according to the Met.

While recognizing his indebtedness to his predecessor, Mr. Allen said that he sought to distinguish himself from Cross, who retained the floridity of 1930s radio broadcasting long after the decade was out.

"No flamboyance, no phoniness, no deliberately putting a chuckle into my voice," Mr. Allen told the New York Times in 1975. "If I can honestly convey a sense of the drama, in a way that's intelligible and attractive, that should be enough."

He saw himself primarily as the listener's guide to the opera, like Virgil to Dante in "The Divine Comedy," leading the way through byzantine plot twists, interpreting libretti in a universe of foreign languages and describing the costumes, settings and action for audiences that could hear but not see the excitement in the house. To prepare for performances, he attended dress rehearsals, immersed himself in study of the opera and interviewed other members of the Met operation.

Although many of his listeners were regulars, he had special affection for those who might be tuning in for the first time.

"Sure, there are millions who already know the story of `Carmen' backwards and forwards, but each year there are as many millions for whom this is a first-time thing, who don't even know that `Carmen' is in French," he told the Times. "I want to be ready with plenty of material. And I want to be prepared to talk intelligently about the particular opera being performed, not just flummer around with generalized remarks about the history of opera or the weather."

He studied costumes in advance, inquiring whether they were silk or silk look-alike, to avoid leading his listeners astray. Describing the onstage props, he took pride in sometimes noticing details that escaped many others in the theater. "Like the cafe scene of `La Boheme,' where [director] Franco Zeffirelli has used real street posters from 19th-century Paris, advertisements for laxatives and lingerie," he told the Associated Press.

Mr. Allen conducted his broadcasts from a sound booth behind the Met's Grand Tier. He stood at a lectern with the opera's libretto before him and opera glasses in hand. Also in the sound booth was his wife, Sylvia Lipson Allen, a fellow opera-lover. He said she signaled him when he made the rare mistake, so that he might correct himself.

Operatic comedy, and tragedy, occasionally took place offstage. Once, Mr. Allen recalled, he was waiting for the conductor, James Levine, to ascend the podium, while Levine was waiting for Mr. Allen to conclude his narration. Mr. Allen described it as "a classic case" of "After you, Alphonse."

During an intermission in Puccini's "Tosca," Mr. Allen received an enigmatic order: "keep talking." Only later did he learn that the tenor Carlo Bergonzi had been seized by a coughing fit.

In 1988, Mr. Allen had to fill airtime after the commotion when a patron jumped to his death from the balcony during an intermission in Verdi's "Macbeth," based on the Shakespeare play. The rest of the show was eventually cancelled.

"There is a theater legend about Macbeth being a jinxed play," Mr. Allen once told the St. Louis Post-Dispatch. "The opera carried that out."

Mr. Allen was born Harold Peter Levy in Toronto on Sept. 17, 1920, and he grew up in Cleveland. According to his niece, he took the surname Allen after entering radio.

His career began at Ohio State University, where Mr. Allen was principal violist in a student symphony and was invited to play on the radio with a quartet. When the other three musicians failed to report for the job, Mr. Allen could scarcely perform the quartet alone. He talked instead.

He was a radio announcer in Columbus before moving to WQXR, a classical radio station in New York City, where he worked for 26 years before assuming his post at the Met.

Mr. Allen's wife died in 2006 after 65 years of marriage. He had no immediate survivors.

By the time he retired from the Met, Mr. Allen was 84. "I don't like to emphasize my age," he told the Times, "not out of vanity, but I don't like to reinforce the cliche that opera is for old people." He wanted to be known, he said, as "just a guy who enjoys the opera."
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[with many of the same anecdotes, NYT version:]

PETER ALLEN, A VOICE ON THE RADIO FOR THE MET OPERA, DIES AT 96 - NYTimes.com
http://mobile.nytimes.com/2016/10/10/arts/music/peter-allen-a-voice-on-the-radio-for-the-met-opera-dies-at-96.html

(via Mike Cooper, DXLD)

** U S A. While listening to MeTV Music online I found this interesting link:

10 AWESOME TV STATION SIGN-OFFS FROM THE ERA OF DEAD AIR
http://metv.com/stories/10-awesome-vintage-tv-station-sign-offs

Nothing made you feel more patriotic before sleep than blasting rockets and the national anthem. Enjoy! (Steve Rich, Indianapolis, Oct 5, WTFDA gg via DXLD)

** U S A. MundoMax --- The network has basically gone into permanent rerun mode, is not renewing its affiliation contracts, and is headed for a likely December shutdown. Stations are scrambling to find new affiliations. Its losses in affiliations have been staggering. It already was dropped by Entravision. KYVV Del Rio-San Antonio went off the air in May and it took nearly five months for anyone to notice (Raymie Humbert, AZ, Oct 13, WTFDA Forum via DXLD)

** VANUATU [and non]. 7260 (slightly on the low side), R. Vanuatu (presumed), 1237, Oct 12. Playing pop songs ("Easy Like Sunday Morning" by Lionel Richie, etc.); China QRM; checking 3944.2 after 1400 and surprised to not even hear an open carrier from them (Ron Howard, Calif., dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

7259.932, R.V. Found this is down a little lower now at 0910 with presumed news by W. Pop music later at 0923, M announcer between songs at 0924. Long speech or preaching 0958-1016+. Dropped off towards 1100 while co-channel presumed Xinjiang was coming up. (8 Oct.) (Dave Valko, Dunlo, PA USA, Perseus SDR with Wellbrook ALA 1530S loop antenna and 153 foot Delta Loop, Hard-Core-DX mailing list via WORLD OF RADIO 1847, DXLD)

Checked the Brisbane Queensland SDR unit in north-south greyline area path, around 1130-1150 UT on Oct 12:

7259.9895, Mongolian Radio 2 at from Ulanbataar Khonkhor - Mongolia, little lower level at S=7,

but also stronger Radio Vanuatu co-channel signal downunder, 7259.932, S=8-9 strength noted at 1150 UT. Xinjiang outlets are on daylight condition at 11 UT [selected SDR options, span 12.5 kHz RBW 15.3 Hertz] (Wolfgang B¸schel, df5sx, wwdxc BC-DX TopNews Oct 12, WORLD OF RADIO 1847, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** VIETNAM. YouTube Video of the Month --- HANOI HANNA, RADIO HANOI PROPAGANDA BROADCAST TO THE TROOPS IN SOUTH VIETNAM 1968

Tr?nh Th? Ng?, also known as Hanoi Hannah, was a Vietnamese radio personality best known for her work during the Vietnam War, when she made English-language broadcasts for North Vietnam directed at United States troops. Here, accompanied by film of U.S. troops in Vietnam... https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=N6JH8mYV_VU
(Oct CIDX Messenger via DXLD)

** YEMEN [non]. 11860, Oct 9 at 1333, Republic of Yemen Radio is S9+20 in Arabic talk interspersed with stingers. Best signal yet this fall, as its season is resurging like a year ago. At 1419, still S9+20 talk, no echo. Saudi Arabia site? Longpath? (Glenn Hauser, OK, WORLD OF RADIO 1847, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Greetings from Nevada! While reassembling my desk after another change of apartments, I finally threw caution to the wind and ended up throwing some magnet wire on the roof of the new apartment for an antenna. With such a small gauge wire with its dark green coating, It's pretty invisible if you're not looking for it and I don't think anyone saw me tossing the wire spool around like a madman trying to get the wire over the roof. One end of it ended up half way up a tree with its plastic spool and small socket tool (as a tossing weight) and I just left it that way for now. I may go for a more permanent installation later when the first sizable wind blows it all down. I had also put up the Magic Wand antenna and Kaito Mag loop up indoors for comparison but the outside wire outperforms all of the indoor antennas so far, by quite a margin.

On the morning (local, ~1400z) of the 8th, before I haphazardly erected the outdoor antenna, I detected a carrier with some barely discernable modulation on 11860 kHz using the indoor Magic Wand antenna (which had done well at the previous location for 25m). Although I was sure it was Rep. Yemen Radio, Sana`a, I didn't log it as there wasn't enough readability to tell what language was being spoken, or what kind of music was being played. The following day, now using the outdoor antenna, Rep. Yemen Radio, Sana`a was as strong as when I first heard it last year! Heard over the weekend:

11860, 1443 9 OCT - REP. YEMEN RADIO SANA`A. SINPO = 45323. Arabic, middle eastern music. 1448z rather excited male announcer with music in background for free minutes then music resumes. @1455z male DJ with calmer, deeper voice followed by oud music. QSB=rapid-to-ff rate, modulation mostly well above the noise floor. sf103.6, a8, k1, geomag: very quiet. 50kw?, Omni?, bearing 17 ?. Sangean ATS505 w/MFJ-1020C active antenna and MFJ-901B tuner used to preselect 75í of 26-gauge wire loosely thrown over the roof above single story building.. Received at Las Vegas, United States, 13039KM? from transmitter at Riyadh?. Local time: 0743.

11860, 1400 10 OCT - REP.YEMEN RADIO SANAA. SINPO = 35333. Arabic, male announcer interviews male over the phone. QSB=rapid-to-ff rate, modulation mostly above the noise floor with occasional fades to mixing with it for very short durations. sf104.6, a5, k2, geomag: quiet. 50kw?, Omni?, bearing 17 ?. Sangean ATS505 w/MFJ-1020C active antenna and MFJ-901B tuner used to preselect 75í of 26-gauge magnet wire loosely thrown over the roof above single story building. Received at Las Vegas, United States, 13039KM? from transmitter at Riyadh?. Local time: 0700 (Rodney Johnson, NV, dxldyg via WORLD OF RADIO 1847, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

I will be in Riyadh full time come this Oct. If this station is still a mystery, I will attempt to find the transmitter! (Ed Sylvester, Baghdad, earlier this year, via Rodney, dxldyg via DXLD)

As far as I know, it's still a mystery. I hope you can shed some light on it this month, Ed, as its 'season' is back and it's starting to come in strong again! (Rodney Johnson, ibid.)

11860, Oct 10 at 1257, Republic of Yemen Radio presumably via SAUDI ARABIA, with great music I enjoy, and S9+10 as its `season` has resumed. Same level now as 11600 Kurdistan non via Bulgaria. 1300 both into talk; 1322 still talking here. 1340 both talking (but there`s World Music to be heard on 11580 WRMI weekdays at 13-15). By 1418, 11860 YL talk has diminished to S7-S9, compared to 11600, minished to S9+10 peaks.

11860, Oct 12 at 1325 music from Rep. of Yemen Radio, via SAUDI ARABIA(?), 1330 talk segment in Arabic about Yemen. Good signal (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** ZAMBIA. 5915. October 6, 2016. 0248-0300*, Zambia National Broadcasting Corporation (ZNBC), Lusaka, in Lozi. 0248 UT: IS (fish eagles audio). At 0250: Start programming with National Anthem; man announcer talks; woman announcer talks; Drums, followed of local song. Start with poor signal and barely audible audio. Note: At 0259, start a strong IS of Radio Japan and Japanese service, blocking all ZNBC transmission (DXer: JosÈ Ronaldo Xavier (JRX), Cabedelo-PB, Brazil, Degen DE1103 + Tecsun S-2000, Antenna: Portable Telescopic, Hard-Core-DX mailing list via DXLD) NHK = 5910 via France (gh)

** ZAMBIA [and non]. Recorded the new west Africa service of Voice of Hope - Africa from Zambia last night / this morning. Excellent signal initially on 11680. Also nabbed Pyongyang on the frequency subsequently. More on both later (Richard Langley Oct 7, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

13680, Sat Oct 8 at 1233, JBA carrier; 1349 no carrier; 1433 W&M speaking non-English, Farsi? Voice of Hope Africa is reported finally to have its second 100 kW transmitter running, scheduled on 13680 Sat & Sun 12-17 UT, via NW antenna toward W Africa and US, // non-direxional 9680, where as usual we hear only the China radio war.

13680 at 1430-1500 is NHK Farsi eastward from FRANCE; and also registered on 13680 at 15-16 is CRI English to Europe via Kashgar, EAST TURKISTAN. Yet VOHA went ahead with this frequency! Since God is omniscient, He would be the perfect frequency manager, if only He could be bothered and could communicate His better choices to the station. Hmmm, what a coincidence, all three end in -680 already: is there some numerological/superstitious/biblical significance to that?

Richard Langley has confirmed the other transmission on 9680, M-F at 05-08 (Aoki claims this one is 7-days, but I don`t think so), is heard duplicated on 11680, which also has CCI problems; I haven`t tried that one yet, but MUF permitting, it should be best for us. However:

11680, Oct 8 at 1434, I check here anyway and am surprised to hear a new signal, other than KCBS Korea North: It`s quite good, S9+10 with ``Amazing Grace`` variations on guitar, seguÈ to jazz drumming but tune soon recognizable as an hymn --- I`ll bet this is VOH-A, Z, on its other frequency contrary to publicized schedule! Despite aiming at us, could it be long-path off the back, a better propagational route?

Should have stayed with it, because at 1559 recheck, only a JBA carrier on 11680, which could well be NK now. Nothing audible on 9680 or 13680 (Glenn Hauser, OK, WORLD OF RADIO 1847, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

As has been reported in bits and pieces elsewhere, Voice of Hope - Africa has started transmitting to west Africa using the second transmitter and the directional log-periodic antenna (315 beam) using 11680 kHz on weekdays and 13680 kHz on weekends. Schedule is 0500-0800 UT weekdays on 11680 kHz (parallel to 9680 kHz) and 1200-1700 UT on Saturday and Sunday (also parallel 9680 kHz). Schedule confirmed by Ray Robinson and also available here:
http://voiceofhope.com/schedule/voh-africa_program_grid.pdf

They are also live streaming:
http://www.voiceofhope.com/player1.html

Recent HFCC presentation here:
http://www.hfcc.org/doc/HFCC_REP_2016-005-B16-presentation_Voice_of_Hope.pdf

I recorded the three-hour transmission on 11680 kHz yesterday morning (9 October) using the Tecsun PL-880 and 7-metre reel antenna. Initially, reception was excellent! A strong, interference-free

signal. It slowly degraded after about one hour as propagation changed and eventually petered out before sign off. They used a test tone for a couple of minutes when beginning the transmission, followed by interval signal and station ID ("From Zambia to the World, this is the Voice of Hope - Africa") for several minutes. When the programming began only the 9680 kHz frequency was mentioned. However, later in the live broadcast, the presenter also mentioned 11680 kHz. I'll try to archive my recording later.

Note that there are two jazz shows starting at 1300 UT on Saturday and Sunday. Couldn't hear today's via the Twente receiver -- not even a carrier detected (didn't try with my own equipment) but listened to it via the Internet stream. I'd call it smooth jazz. All instrumentals. Some identifiable as religious pieces, familiar from Sunday School days. No announcements (Richard Langley, Oct 8, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Did you not see my log report? It looks like they were using 11680 instead of 13680 for the Sat 12-17 broadcast. The jazz I was hearing in the 14+ hour however would also be an hour off if the schedule is correct, showing 13-14 UT. How about it, Ray? (Glenn Hauser, ibid.)

I think I checked 11680 and 9680 using the Twente receiver but didn't see anything there. The jazz show I was listening to via streaming ended around 1345 or so and went into a religious program through until at least the top of the hour when I stopped listening. I'll ask Ray if there were any transmission anomalies today (Richard Langley, NB, ibid.)

[Later:] Ray has confirmed that there were some problems today and yes, they were on 11680 kHz instead of 13680 kHz. The streamed music that I heard (mistakingly thinking it was the scheduled Jazz Session program) and what Glenn heard later on 11680 kHz was automated filler music. Ray says things will be back to normal tomorrow, so listen out on 13680 kHz and post your reports. I might try to, too (-- Richard Langley, ibid.)

11680, re my earlier report, Oct 8 at 1434 of a good signal with hymns, suspected of being Voice of Hope - Africa on wrong frequency instead of 13680: Yes, Richard Langley hears from Ray Robinson of KVOH confirming the fill music and the frequency, which tomorrow should be back on proper 13680. Well, 11680 works great for us. New program schedule is up,
http://voiceofhope.com/schedule/voh-africa_program_grid.pdf
including some long-dormant shows such as the jazz and swing hours, bait for proselytizing which used to be on 9975 when KVOH had English broadcasts (Glenn Hauser, OK, WORLD OF RADIO 1847, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

They say they reach 2 billion listeners. But how many listeners do they really have? (Keith Perron, Taiwan, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST) That`s per a map on their HFCC presentation, i.e. combined populations of parts of Africa, North and South America (gh, DXLD)

13680, Sunday Oct 9 at 1209, checking for Voice of Hope - Africa, supposed to be on proper frequency today unlike yesterday on 11680 by mistake: nothing yet.

On 11680, Oct 9 at 1210, there is YL talk but sounds Asian, probably CRI Cambodian from Nanning as scheduled this hour. And a second signal? Probably P`yongyang. I switch to MW to do an extensive bandscan for trans-Pacific carriers (see UNIDENTIFIED). Back here at 1252, 11680 has typical CRI Chinese lessons, and Cambodian talk a few minutes later.

9680, Oct 9 at 1253, the other VOHA frequency is as usual totally covered by CNR1 jamming Taiwan, with Chinese opera (meaning traditional instruments and vocalizing, not Firedragon often misidentified as ``opera`` despite nary a voice ever heard on that). The understation on 11680 may also be CNR1 with this.

13680, Oct 9 at 1252, finally a JBA carrier, maybe Zambia, but by 1302 now an S5+ signal and growing with big band music, 1304 ID as ``From Zambia, this is Voice of Hope - Africa service, broadcasting on 9680 --- gospel of Jesus --- Swing Shift with Pat Conrad``. Were they really on the air from 1200, or just 1300-? 13680 continues strengthening but with deep fading, at 1323 with ``Little Brown Jug`` by Glenn Miller orchestra. 1328 break for proselytizing some Bible verse, 1330 contact info in Los Angeles; mentions also playing Benny Goodman and Woody Herman.

Extremely ironically, Benny Goodman was Jewish; yet his art is being used by VOH as bait to turn people into Christians. See the jewornotjew.com website, which says ``Benny Goodman, whose parents were Jewish immigrants from the old Russian empire.``

13680 occasionally has some audio dropouts lasting several seconds, such as at 1345. At 1419 still at S9, it`s on to overt sermonizing.

The 12-17 UT broadcast on 13680 is scheduled for Sat & Sun only. On M-F, the just-activated second transmitter on 315-degree beam is supposed to be on 11680 at 0500-0800, but if not, check 13680 too (Glenn Hauser, OK, WORLD OF RADIO 1847, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Nothing heard while spot-checking between 1200 and 1630 UT today (Sunday) on 13680 kHz (also checked 11680 kHz) using the Tecsun PL-880

with just its whip antenna. At times, there was a barely detectable carrier on 13680 kHz. Nothing using the Twente receiver either. Mauno Ritola in Finland also reported on the WRTH Facebook page that nothing was heard by him on either 13680 or 11680 kHz at 1220 (Richard Langley, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Heard Voice of Hope-Africa at 1655 UT then sign off at 1700, on both 9680 kHz (poor) & 13680 kHz (fair), via Twente receiver (David Kernick, Interval Signals Online, ibid.)

Strong in WCNA on 11680 beginning their 0500 transmission on Oct 10 (UT). Announced 9680 at beginning of transmission but later also mentioned they were also on 11680. 9680 not audible here (Bob LaRose, San Diego CA, ibid.)

"Both allegedly 100 kW" --- Why "allegedly"?

"Now, is there any secular programming on the schedule, or at least quasi-secular? Of course not!"

What's the purpose of this statement? The Voice of Hope is a religious broadcaster. That's their mission. If you don't like it, don't listen. ;-) That's why I don't listen to the ultra-right crap on many of the U.S. SW stations. Each to his own. It is true that some of the current and former SW religious broadcasters do/did air DX programs and the like, including the long-running Wavescan program. Sure, VoH - Africa's jazz programs might include some short religious messages but so what? You can listen to the music and mentally tune-out the messages if you don't like them. You don't have to be a believer to enjoy jazz. ;-) Just like you ignore the statement "In God We Trust" on your currency when you use cash to buy something. I'll get off my professor's soap box now (Richard Langley, NB, ibid.)

Richard, Surprise: rated SW powers are seldom met exactly, often much less to extend life of tubes, save costs. In this case there was such a disparity between 9680 and 11680 signals, I thought the possibility of power differences should be mentioned. Show me the meters in real time if you want the powers not to be alleged.

Since VOH has been known to carry some secular programming, indeed Wavescan now on the Zambia schedule elsewhen, that would mean there is some reason to listen further to their new frequencies. In the case of 11680 it is clear that there is no reason, as no-secular has been established. And indeed I won`t be missing anything altho reserve the right to log it, report, and comment, if there is something new or of propagational interest.

In case you haven`t noticed, I critique broadcasts I dislike rather

than simply ignore them. That doesn`t mean I listen to them any longer than absolutely necessary. I also expose gospel huxters using secular programming for bait, surely a worthwhile response (Glenn Hauser, DXLD)

"In this case there was such a disparity between 9680 and 11680 signals"

Couldn't that be because the antennas used on 9680 and 11680 kHz are completely different? For 9680 kHz, a TCI Model 615, omnidirectional antenna is used. This fires the signal more or less to the zenith so that the reflection off the ionosphere is receivable mostly in just the regional area -- the intended audience. Yes, we can pick up this signal further afield as I have here in NB, but we shouldn't necessarily expect a strong signal. For 11680 (and 13680) kHz, a TCI Model 527 log periodic with a 315 degree beam is used. This affords good reception in western Africa and beyond for double-hop reception. I had excellent reception for about an hour on 11680 kHz last Friday morning. Yes, they could be running both transmitters, rated at 100 kW, at slightly lower power levels but that could be said for other broadcasters as well (Richard Langley, ibid.)

11680, Monday October 10 at 0528, Voice of Hope - Africa, gospel rock ending with applause, African-accented YL preacher with today`s Bible reading from I Corinthians; 0529 transmission break of about 20 seconds! Back on to plug upcoming `Moments in Bible Prophecy` at 7:45 [CAT = 0545 UT]. As expected, 11680 is good at S9+10, while // 9680 is but a JBA carrier. Both allegedly 100 kW, the USward direxional 315 degree antenna on 11680 making all the difference {or as well the plus 2.000 MHz}. Scheduled 05-08 UT Mon-Fri on both. No QRM at all, and per Aoki the only problem could be North Korea but it stops Japanesing at 0500. Now, is there any secular programming on the schedule, or at least quasi-secular? Of course not! Except for hard-core intervals like MiBP, the tri-hour is `Rev. Joyce Mwanza, Music in the Morning - LIVE`` (Glenn Hauser, OK, WORLD OF RADIO 1847, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** ZANZIBAR. 11735, ZBC R. 2100 lady DJ, then quick Spice FM ID and immediately off. Was hoping it would stay on for an extra minute or 2 as the signal was pretty nice, but no. (7 October) (Dave Valko, Dunlo, PA USA, Perseus SDR with Wellbrook ALA 1530S loop antenna and 153 foot Delta Loop, micro-DXpedition, Hard-Core-DX mailing list via DXLD)

UNIDENTIFIED. Trans-Pacific JBA carrier search October 8 on the DX-398, well before our sunrise 1233 UT:

At 1123, 738 from SW is much stronger than the others, almost upgradable to BA instead of JBA, but not enough for modulation;

presumably Tahiti, altho there are also Australia/NZ stations on channel.

At 1125, 702-WSW, 693-WSW
At 1126, 774-WSW, 1035-WSW; none higher to topend
At 1131, 774-NW, so Japan competing with otherwise down-unders
At 1133, 738 still strongest and steadiest, from SW
At 1153, 738 is also detectable on the R-75/E-W longwire
(Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

UNIDENTIFIED. Trans-Pacific JBA MW carrier search October 9, before sunrise here at 1234 UT:
At 1211, 774-WSW, 756-WSW, 712-WSW
At 1214, 657-WSW, 612-WSW, 603-WSW, 594-WSW
At 1216, 567-WSW, 828-NW, 846-WSW
At 1219, 1035-WSW, 1098-W
At 1220, 1116-WSW
At 1222, 1314-NW
Sometimes I can`t get a clear DF null on 774, and suspect I am getting both Japan and Australia (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

UNIDENTIFIED. Trans-Pacific JBA MW carrier search, Oct 10, UT:
At 1219, 774-NW, 747-NW, 693-NW
At 1221, 657-??, 594-NW (distinct from 594+ spur from local KZLS 1640)
At 1223, 828-NW, 873-NW, 882-NW
At 1226, 1098-W
At 1227, 1116-WSW
At 1229, 1566-NW
All on the DX-398 with internal ferrite antenna only. Our sunrise today: 1235 (Glenn Hauser, Enid, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

UNIDENTIFIED. Trans-Atlantic JBA MW carrier search October 12, generally from NE, some a bit more ENE, hampered by lightning in the next OK counties:
0520-0525: 612, 639, 774, 936, 1044
0525-0530: 1062, 1152, 1413
0530: 783 (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Based on what I get here and that his list has a southerly tendency (i.e. no UK 909, 1089, 1215 et al.), these would be the best guesses:
612 Morocco (has poor modulation)
639 Spain RNE
774 Spain RNE (probably too late for secondary Egypt)
936 Spain RNE
1044 Spain SER
1062 Italy RAI
1152 Spain RNE
1413 Spain RNE

783 Mauritania (has poor modulation); secondarily Spain

When I've listened at my brother-in-law's place in Fort Mill, SC the TA's that do get through are mostly Canary Islands, Spain, Algeria etc. - i.e. southerly routes (Mark Connelly, WA1ION, South Yarmouth, MA, IRCA via DXLD)

UNIDENTIFIED. Trans-Pacific JBA MW carrier search October 12:
from 1213: 774-NW, 702-WSW, 675-??, 666-NW, 603-WSW, 594 NW & WSW
from 1219: 828-NW & WSW, 2 signals beating; 882-WSW, 891-NW, 1053-NW
from 1223: 1098-W
from 1228: 1566-NW
See also JAPAN: 774 (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

UNIDENTIFIED. 1000 and 1020. Found a strange noise sounding somewhat like the Aboriginal Didjeridoo instrument on 1020 kHz at 0717 UT. Brett Saylor noticed there was another one on 1000 kHz and that itís comprised of carrier-like lines of audio spaced at about 180 or 190 hertz apart, on the upper sideband of 1000, and on the lower sideband of 1020. Brett Saylor theorizes it may be coming from WINS on 1010 kHz. To see a video of the reception, here's a Youtube link https://youtu.be/jmkmOfRs6s4
(7 Oct.) (Dave Valko, Dunlo, PA USA, Perseus SDR with Wellbrook ALA 1530S loop antenna and 153 foot Delta Loop, Hard-Core-DX mailing list via DXLD)

UNIDENTIFIED. 1480+, Oct 10 at 0552 UT, low audible het (LAH) looping E/W, so not either of my closests, KBXD and KQAM (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

UNIDENTIFIED. 1500, Oct 11 at 0115 UT, really bad noise from east/west, QRMing KSTP sports from the NNE unless nulled. Different sound but presumably same spoiler mystery station we have been hearing for months making unstable hetties above and below 1500 (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

UNIDENTIFIED. 1560, "The Alarm" 1045 UT October 8, 2016. Every 15 minutes (not precisely at the :00 mark) -- 1045, 1100 and 1130 -- 5 X high-pitched double beeps, sounding much like a digital alarm clock. No trace at 1145 or 1200, presume the source having faded with sunrise. Not heard the next day. Obviously something malfunctioning with a satellite feed or controls. LOB roughly N/S (Terry L Krueger, Clearwater FL, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

UNIDENTIFIED. On the Brisbane Perseus, found someone on 3210 playing Pop Dance and Rap music in the 1155-1225+ time frame. A very short sentence by M at 1209 but couldn't copy. Went into a feature at 1221 presented by M announcer in US accented English giving mention of ì??

Radioî and a website. Couldnít copy the word before ìRadioî. No harmonics work out. (7 Oct.) 73 (Dave Valko, Dunlo, PA USA, Perseus, Wellbrook ALA1530S and 153 triangular Delta Loop and Perseus net receivers, Hard-Core-DX mailing list via DXLD)

3210, why not Unique Radio, NSW, which on a Friday night ought to be audible in Brisbane? As if Dave is not aware of it (Glenn Hauser, DXLD) See AUSTRALIA, Bruce Churchill`s log also via Brisbane

UNIDENTIFIED. 4766, Oct 10 at 1252, open carrier at S5, stronger than 4750. Suspected idling RTTY from western North America, as discussed in DXLDs 16-27 and 16-16.

From 1248 to 1255 Oct 10, scans of 120, 90, and 60m finds more carriers, most on usual spots from Asia, skipping the major ones on 4835 Australia and 4940 China:

2325, 3345-, 4750, 4790, 4800, 4810, 4820(2), 4870-, 4885, 4895, 4910, 2485, 4920, 4970, 5010, 5040, 5050 (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

UNIDENTIFIED. 6780, Oct 8 at 0138, JBA carrier. This happens to be an ISM frequency like its exact double 13560, so could be attractive to piracy. Nothing audible now on 6770, 6875 or anywhere in the 6.9s (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

UNIDENTIFIED. Recently I found a bit of a mystery on 6925 at 0315 UT. I know that the ìpiratesî lurk there but this was a bit different. It only lasted a few seconds but was quite clear. îRadio Chenoa en la junglaî was the very definite ID. Then a bit of talk which seemed like Spanish followed by a very short bit of music. Radio True North then came through loud and clear, cut off the mystery station. I have been chasing it via the ëNet and it is still not clear. There is a place in Illinois by that name, Chenoa (Not likely) and the ëen la junglaí bit comes out as a Spanish station. Not the language, the place, Spain.

Trouble is, that does not seem to be a shortwave station. The logo in the background on the net image showed RTVE, Radio TV EspaÒa [sic]. I donít know what to make of this at all. Also on the Net images radio Chenoa 4.0. Could it be one of those odd connections that happen sometimes? From the Net items, it does not look like a pirate and those guys do not have a full color spread of pictures either. So, it seems likely that it is a commercial station but where is the big question. Has anyone else heard them? 73, (Al R., Nelson, BC, The Square Peg, Oct CIDX Messenger via DXLD)

UNIDENTIFIED. 7585.20-USB, Oct 7 at 0509, colloquial Spanish 2-way, one with noise in background, perhaps aboard a craft? Mentions Florida

governor, hurricane, amid whistling (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

UNIDentified. Station, probably is Free Radio Service Holland on Oct 9 1055 & 1100 on 9300.9 unknown tx / unknown to Eu Music & off at 1115 http://swldxbulgaria.blogspot.bg/2016/10/unidentified-station-probably-free.html -- 73! (Ivo Ivanov, Sofia, Bulgaria, Sony ICF-2001D 30 m. long wire, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

UNIDENTIFIED. EGYPT [sic] UnID station with Egyptian music, Oct 6: 0900-0920 on 9550 unknown transmitter site, fair signal http://swldxbulgaria.blogspot.bg/2016/10/unidentified-station-with-egyptian_7.html (Ivo Ivanov, QTH: Sofia, Bulgaria, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Let me remind you: I am inserting [sic] because: if the transmitter site is unknown, and anyone could play Egyptian music, how can he be sure it`s really from EGYPT? (gh, DXLD)

EGYPT [sic], UNIDENTIFIED station with Egyptian music on Oct 8: 1010-1025 on 9400 unknown tx / unknown, good signal today http://swldxbulgaria.blogspot.bg/2016/10/unidentified-station-with-egyptian_9.html -- 73! (Ivo Ivanov, Sofia, Bulgaria, Sony ICF-2001D 30 m. long wire, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

UNIDentified very strong open carrier/dead air on Oct 10 0620-0635 on 9825 unknown tx, not WHRI-2 on 7355 BS TOM http://swldxbulgaria.blogspot.bg/2016/10/unidentified-very-strong-open.html 73! (Ivo Ivanov, Sofia, Bulgaria, Sony ICF-2001D 30 m. long wire, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST) So another angelic unit? (gh, DXLD)

UNIDENTIFIED. 11770.921, Oct 10 at 0534, open carrier with flutter, making me suspect it`s real, but gone once I unplug my router, possibly by coincidence. Nigeria, maybe? Only thing scheduled on 11770 now is Urumqi (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Hmmm, no recent observations in the evenings but of course quite possible (Thorsten Hallmann, Germany, Oct 10, dxldyg via DXLD)

UNIDENTIFIED. 11770.933, Oct 10 at 1737, S3 carrier, too weak to be sure if there`s some modulation or not. Cf previous report: 11770.921, Oct 10 at 0534 (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

UNIDENTIFIED. 11895.04, Getting a signal here at 2107. Sounded like music briefly. Signal seemed strong enough but just couldnít be certain. Blasted out by Vatican at 2145-2200, but was clear at 2200 and went off before 2201. Was hoping for Boa Vontade but it shouldíve stayed on. Who?? (7 Oct.) (Dave Valko, Dunlo, PA USA, Perseus SDR with Wellbrook ALA 1530S loop antenna and 153 foot Delta Loop, micro-

DXpedition, Hard-Core-DX mailing list via DXLD)

11895, UNID, Must have just caught it signing on within a couple seconds at 1034 as the signal went from 11895.03 up to 11895.17 quickly, then gradually and steadily drifted back down to 11895.12 by 1045, and 11895.09 by 1125. Like the other afternoon, it seemed strong enough on peaks, but I couldn't detect any audio. Wonder if this is Boa Vontade with a 1030-2200 sked. (9 Oct.) (Dave Valko, Dunlo, PA USA, Perseus SDR with Wellbrook ALA 1530S loop antenna and 153 foot Delta Loop, Hard-Core-DX mailing list via DXLD)

UNIDENTIFIED. 12000, Oct 10 at 1736, about S6 open carrier, dead air again today as also heard Oct 5 at 0038. Maybe local, but I don`t hear it all the time, or other times (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

UNIDENTIFIED. 12281-USB, Oct 11 at 0038, weak 2-way in Japanese. Must be some maru as the 2002 SW Frequency Guide by Klingenfuss, which I have handy for quick reference, hoping ute info isn`t too outdated, shows this frequency is ship channel 1218, paired with QSX 13128 shore stations, including JBO Tokyo, but also others in Chile, Philippines, Cape Verde, Italy, Belgium, Turkey, which I`d think would lead to a lot of conflicts (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

UNIDENTIFIED. 13200/USB, ìBellyflopî US military spook. ìBored manî human voice with coded message ìHPIBK6î (attached). These transmissions are almost as spooky as the numbers stations! 2+5454 with echo in audio. 1330-1334* 2/Oct SDRPlay/CubicSDR +randomwire (Ken Zichi, Port Hope MI2, MARE Tipsheet Oct 7 via DXLD)

UNIDENTIFIED. 13680, Oct 8 at 1837, S5 open carrier, slightly wavering. Nothing scheduled now but elsewhen on 13680 are VOA, Sound of Hope, CRI, NHK (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST) and ZAMBIA?

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No thanks this week for financial support as none has been received since last week, by check or money order in US funds on a US bank to P O Box 1684, Enid OK 73702; or not necessarily in US funds via PayPal to woradio at yahoo.com (Glenn Hauser, WORLD OF RADIO 1847, DXLD)

Hello Glenn, First some boring pre-amble: I'm a long time shortwave listener from my youth who has finally got the time again to get back into the hobby after many years away from it. I've started collecting some second hand receivers that I used to long after but could never
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afford in the past. And although I don't have much time to listen to shortwave, I like to listen to your programme each week via web downloads to keep up with the latest news and get ideas for challenges to listen to here in Melbourne, Australia. Regards, (Steven Zollo, Victoria, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

PUBLICATIONS
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RICH McVICAR`s QSL COLLEXION

Fellow connoisseur of the QSL: Although Iíd love to have you over for dinner, after which weíd retire to the den for brandy & QSLs, chances are that wonít happen anytime soon. So, in lieu of that, Iíve been scanning my QSL collection and uploading them to Flickr. Iím really happy with how theyíre looking. Some of them look better there than in real life! So, feel free to browse! But youíll have to supply your own brandy. Oh, yeah, here are the links:
Oceania:
https://flic.kr/s/aHskKzqE7S
Asia:
https://flic.kr/s/aHskK9qQE5
Middle East:
https://flic.kr/s/aHskJYziax
(Richard Mc Vicar via DXPlorer via SW Bulletin Oct 9 via DXLD)

NEW YOUTUBE CHANNEL FROM BRAZIL, RUDOLF GRIMM

if you want to take a peek on how's DX from Brazil perspective (S„o Paulo urban region), long-time BCB SWL and DXer Rudolf Grimm recently spun off his Youtube channel
https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCcu0GM5SUCgDIUpH2Lyop-g/videos?view=0&sort=dd&shelf_id=0
https://www.youtube.com/user/GrimmSBC

The videos mix a few MF and several HF stations and were taped directly from Rudolf`s shack using often an R75 and mag loop (I guess it's an internal one, but I'll ask Rudolf). And they are really good quality, 1080p!!! pu3hag (Huelbe Garcia, Oct 11, Hard-Core-DX mailing list via DXLD)

RADIO SONGS

Mechanical Cabaret - Why so serious?

"Shortwave, x-ray to infra-red
No response - frequency dead,,,"

Credits: Synthesizer, Drum Machine, Other [Short-wave Radio], Sampler, Accordion, Glockenspiel, Computer, Voice ñ Roi Robertson

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=bKdn7bVnhA8
(Leo Barmaleo, Moldova, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

WORLD OF HOROLOGY DST or NOT: See BRAZIL; USA: VOA, about HAITI
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GLOBAL HF WEEKEND 2016

General frequency ranges:
15010-15100 kHz
21455-21550 kHz
Basic schedule: November 5-6, 2016

European morning, 0800-1200 UTC from Europe to Asia/Japan/Oceania.
European afternoon, 1200-1600 UTC from Europe to North American and vice versa.

European night, 2200-2400 UTC from North America to Asia/Oceania.
Of course, these are general frequency ranges where pirates have broadcast during prior Global HF

Pirate weekends. Some stations will surely operate on frequencies and times outside of these ranges.These will be updated on HF Underground and on the Hobby Broadcasting blog (Vasily Lazarev, Samarskaya oblast, Russia / "deneb-radio-dx" via RusDX Oct 10, via DXLD)

CONVENTIONS & CONFERENCES See DIGITAL BROADCASTING --- DAB
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DIGITAL BROADCASTING --- DAB See also AUSTRALIA; NORWAY
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WORLDDAB GENERAL ASSEMBLY 2016, VIENNA, AUSTRIA
Organised by WorldDAB Event
Date: 9th - 10th November 2016
Location: Vienna, Austria

Details here: WorldDAB General Assembly 2016, Vienna, Austria | Events | WorldDAB
https://www.worlddab.org/events/detail/423#registration
(via Mike Terry, dxldyg via DXLD)

DIGITAL BROADCASTING --- DRM See also ERITREA/ETHIOPIA; NIGERIA;
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TITUS II

Have you or your listeners heard much about the Titus II radio which is taking pre-orders? Their website is
http://titusradio.com/
and the HFCC website has details and the pre-order form. I just came across it today as I was looking into finding who actually makes DRM receivers for shortwave. Regards, (Steven Zollo, Victoria, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

DIGITAL BROADCASTING --- DTV See also MEXICO
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PHASED RE-PACK

Interesting reading here regarding the FCC DTV Repacking. One highlight --- completion dates will be phased in; some stations will have 16 months from the release of new channel assignments, Some will have as long as 36 months to complete the transition. There are 10 different phases, so essentially stations will be continually relocating over an almost 2-year period. This is necessary as there are nowhere near enough tower crews to do hundreds of stations all at once. All the info is here:
http://www.tvtechnology.com/news/0002/fcc-proposes-phased-repack/279539
(Chris Lucas - Poughkeepsie, NY - FN31bs, Oct 7, WTFDA gg via DXLD)

FCC PROPOSES DMA-LEVEL PHASED REPACK

The Federal Communications Commission has proposed a phased-in repack following the TV spectrum incentive auction. All the information is at the links below.
http://www.tvtechnology.com/news/0002/fcc-proposes-phased-repack/279539
http://transition.fcc.gov/Daily_Releases/Daily_Business/2016/db1003/DA-16-1095A1.pdf

The webinar will be streamed live with open captioning over the Internet from the FCCís web page below.
https://www.fcc.gov/general/live

The webinar slides will be posted on the broadcast incentive auction websiteís resources page below prior to the start of the webinar.
http://www.fcc.gov/incentiveauctions/resources
(Baton Rouge, LA DXer, Oct 9, WTFDA Forum via DXLD)

RADIO EQUIPMENT FORUM
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STEREO DIVERSITY BROADBAND AM DX!

Hi Glenn, Hearing is believing, so without further ado, please check out my unusual and very fascinating STEREO diversity broadband (3-4 MW channels at a time) totally analogue cool DXing amazement!

It has been a while since I wrote you with DX news, but I think you'll be amazed at this effort I'm undertaking to record the BCB (AM) in stereo diversity - not heard often on the net. Pls. see: https://archive.org/details/AuroralChorusVSfericsAnthology

That link goes to my page of VLF signals and also the over 15 files of AM BCB stereo diversity-reception. Hear the sounds of the BCB in stereo from my QTH, 60-75 miles from the nearest AM station, so DX is pretty good here. Even Asian hets on one file, and much more to follow. 73 (Steve McGreevy N6NKS http://www.auroralchorus.com Natural VLF Radio and Travel Oct 8, DX LISTENING DIGEST) See also KOREA NORTH & SOUTH

HEATH SB-310 SECRET NOISE LIMITER

OK, embarrassing admission time: I've (kvz) had my Heath SB-310 for well over 20 years now, and I use it regularly. VERY regularly since one of my SPR4s is 'on the fritz' and I haven't had time to tear into it to figure out what is wrong. I have cleaned the set several times, but it hasn't needed any TLC or capacitor replacement etc., and to be honest, I think I have replaced one tube in the two decades of use. It has been a very trouble free set, except that the "S" meter tends to be 'touchy'. I can live with that and it certainly isn't worth tearing into it to try to figure out what is wrong.

So what is embarrassing about this? As I turned it on this week to catch up with what is going on in Cuba with the storm, I 'pulled' on the AF gain control more than I normally do, and it 'snapped' like it had an on/off switch control, and the little bit of static that was present on the signal lessened greatly. A noise limiter? I had to go and look at the manual (which is now available on line unlike when I first acquired the radio in the last century) and son of a pup, it DOES have an UN-LABELED automatic noise limiter circuit that is activated by pulling on the AF Gain control.

20 years and all this time I didn't know it was there! Nowhere on the face of the dial is there even a hint that this control lurks under your fingers. I suppose if I had built the set, I'd have known this, but I got the kit fully assembled so I didn't have that advantage. Colour my face red! And let this be an object lesson to everyone. NONE of us is too 'experienced and grizzled' to learn a thing or three occasionally. I didn't know a radio I've used 2-3 times a week for the last 20 years had a noise limiter! I wonder what other hidden features

are on my radios? There might be more hidden gems on the desk! :) (Ken Zichi, MI, MARE Tipsheet Oct 7 via DXLD)

FABíS PAT ROBERTS ON PREPARING FOR HURRICANE MATTHEW
Radio World By Michael Balderston October 6, 2016

Interesting article here:
http://www.radioworld.com/article/fbas-pat-roberts-on-preparing-for-hurricane-matthew/279781
(Mike Terry, Oct 7, dxldyg via DXLD)

PROPAGATION
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:Product: Weekly Highlights and Forecasts
:Issued: 2016 Oct 10 0105 UTC
Prepared by the US Dept. of Commerce, NOAA, Space Weather Prediction Center
Product description and SWPC contact on the Web
http://www.swpc.noaa.gov/weekly.html
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Weekly Highlights and Forecasts
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Highlights of Solar and Geomagnetic Activity 03 - 09 October 2016

Solar activity was at very low levels with a few background flares observed from Regions 2598 (N14, L=174, class/area Dai/140 on 07 Oct), 2599 (S14, L=144, class/area Cko/460 on 05 Oct) and 2600 (N13, L=105, class/area Cso/110 on 09 Oct). On 08 Oct, between 08/1500-1700 UTC, a 10 degree long filament erupted in the NE quadrant centered near N38E40. A slow-moving, asymmetric, partial-halo CME was observed in LASCO C2 imagery, first visible at 09/0048 UTC.

No proton events were observed at geosynchronous orbit.

The greater than 2 MeV electron flux at geosynchronous orbit was at high levels during the entire summary period. A maximum of 32,138 pfu was observed at 03/1640 UTC.

Geomagnetic field activity was highlighted by mostly unsettled to active levels on 03-05 Oct. An isolated minor storm (G1-Minor) period was observed early on 04 Oct. Mostly quiet levels were observed from 04-09 Oct with isolated unsettled and active periods were observed early on 07 and 08 Oct, respectively. The enhanced geomagnetic activity was due to high speed winds from a recurrent positive polarity coronal hole. Some further enhancement occurred early on 04 Oct due to CME effects from an eruptive filament

observed early on 01 Oct.

The solar wind environment began the period at about 500 km/s, increased to near 600 km/s midday on 04 Oct and slowly decreased to end the period at about 370 km/s. Total field generally ranged from 2-6 nT with a peak of 10 nt observed midday on 04 Oct. The Bz component was mostly variable between +/- 6 nT. Phi angle was in a general positive orientation throughout the period.

FORECAST OF SOLAR AND GEOMAGNETIC ACTIVITY 10 OCTOBER-5 NOVEMBER 2016

Solar activity is expected to be at very low levels with a chance for C-class flare activity throughout the outlook period.

No proton events are expected at geosynchronous orbit.

The greater than 2 MeV electron flux at geosynchronous orbit is expected to be at high levels on 10-11, 16-18, 24-26, 30-31 Oct and 01-06 Nov increasing to very high levels on 27-29 Oct. This is due to the anticipated influence of multiple, recurrent CH HSSs. Normal to moderate levels are expected for the remainder of the outlook period.

Geomagnetic field activity is expected to be at unsettled to active levels on 11-18, 23-31 Oct and 01 Nov. G1 (Minor) field activity is possible on 13-15, 17 and 23-31 Oct with G2 (Moderate) levels possible on 24-26 Oct. This activity is due to the anticipated influence of multiple, recurrent CH HSSs. Additional enhancement to the field is expected on 13-14 Oct due to CME effects from the 08 Oct filament eruption. Generally quiet to unsettled conditions are expected for the remainder of the outlook period.

:Product: 27-day Space Weather Outlook Table 27DO.txt
:Issued: 2016 Oct 10 0105 UTC
Prepared by the US Dept. of Commerce, NOAA, Space Weather Prediction Center
Product description and SWPC contact on the Web
http://www.swpc.noaa.gov/wwire.html
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27-day Space Weather Outlook Table
Issued 2016-10-10
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# UTC Date	Radio Flux 10.7 cm	Planetary A Index	Largest Kp Index
2016 Oct 10	105	5	2
2016 Oct 11	105	8	3
2016 Oct 12	110	8	3
2016 Oct 13	110	18	5

2016 Oct 14	105	18	5
2016 Oct 15	100	15	5
2016 Oct 16	95	12	4
2016 Oct 17	95	20	5
2016 Oct 18	95	8	3
2016 Oct 19	90	5	2
2016 Oct 20	90	5	2
2016 Oct 21	90	5	2
2016 Oct 22	85	5	2
2016 Oct 23	85	20	5
2016 Oct 24	85	35	6
2016 Oct 25	85	35	6
2016 Oct 26	85	35	6
2016 Oct 27	80	20	5
2016 Oct 28	80	15	5
2016 Oct 29	80	15	5
2016 Oct 30	90	15	5
2016 Oct 31	95	25	5
2016 Nov 01	100	12	4
2016 Nov 02	100	5	2
2016 Nov 03	105	5	2
2016 Nov 04	105	5	2
2016 Nov 05	105	5	2

(SWPC via WORLD OF RADIO 1847, DXLD)

GLENN`S PROPAGATION OUTLOOK FOR MEDIA NETWORK PLUS AS OF OCT 13, 2016

Keith, From IPS in Australia, the GLOBAL HF PROPAGATION FORECAST thru October 15: normal at low latitudes, normal to fair at middle and high latitudes.

From Spaceweather South Africa, thru October 15: magnetic conditions unsettled to active, shortwave fadeouts unlikely; MUF unstable.

from Met Office UK thru October 16: solar activity low or very low. Geomagnetic activity, a chance of minor G1 storms October 14 to 16.

From Petr Kolman, in Prague, the Geomagnetic field will be:
quiet on October 14, 19 - 20
quiet to unsettled on October 15 - 16, 21
quiet to active on October 17 - 18, 22 - 23, 28 - 31
mostly quiet on October 19, November 1 - 2
active to disturbed on October 24 - 27

From SWPC in Boulder, Geomagnetic field unsettled to active October 11-18, A and K indices peaking at 20 and 5 on October 17; G1 (Minor) field activity possible October 15, 17 and 23-31, reaching 25 and 5 on the 31st. Moderate G2 level storms possible on October 24-26, A and K

peaking at 35 and 6. Lowest As and Ks of 5 and 2 on October 19-22. Solar flux dropping from 110 October 13 to 80 on October 27 to 29.

William Hepburn`s VHF-UHF-Microwave DX maps show very intense tropospheric ducting along the Texas Gulf coast the mornings of October 17 and 18. Extreme ducting off the west coast of MÈxico all week. Off the coast of Per˙ on October 15. Across the central Mediterranean October 15 to 17. Between MoÁambique and Madagascar, October 16 to 18. All week all around the Arabian peninsula as far as India. And off the northwest coast of Australia, October 15 to 18 (via DXLD)

TIPS FOR RATIONAL LIVING
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Don`t vote Republican --- don`t vote for any Republican (gh, DXLD) ###